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1/20/58

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES
SUBJECT: CP, USA
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT
MEMBERSHIP
IS-C
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LA 4010-S* advises that DOROTHY HEALEY, Chairman, Southern California District, in answer to a question as to current CP membership replied that she did not know the membership figure and that the membership registration currently being conducted will not be completed until sometime in March.

- 3 - Bureau (AIR MAIL)(REGISTERED)
- 1 - San Francisco (INFO)(REGISTERED)
- ② - Los Angeles (100-23933)(100-43372 - CINAL)

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SOURCE: LA 4010-S* to SE [REDACTED] 1/17/58.

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100-23933-1738

Los Angeles, California
January 9, 1958

RE: ELDRIDGE JOHNSON, SR.
3712½ Maple Street,
Los Angeles
Born 9/25/01

The Federal Bureau of Investigation has received the following information from an informant who has furnished reliable information in the past. This information may or may not be identical with the above-captioned individual.

One ELDRIDGE JOHNSON, 11722 Homes Avenue, Los Angeles, joined the Los Angeles County Communist Party on April 13, 1937. He was described as a Negro, 32 years of age at that time.

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① - Los Angeles (100-23933-A-1) 2621
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SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55453)

1/3/58

SA TIMOTHY L. DONOVAN

EAST HOLLYWOOD SECTION
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT
COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
IS - C

<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>RECEIVED</u>	<u>AGENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
CS LA 3880-S*	Photographic copies of CP documents.	12/4/57	EWING G. LAYHEW, et al	[REDACTED] p. 69

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CS LA 3880-S* is in close contact with HELEN AUGUST, who, according to the source, maintains some of the financial and membership records of the Southern California District, Communist Party, USA (SGDCP).

This is the writer's interpretation of the material furnished by the informant and before any utilization of this information is made in reports or before any dissemination is made, the original photographs should be referred to.

Included in the material furnished by the source was a notation following a list of five transfers reading "Please inform how many to deduct. This seems to be big difference. Our figure is now 82 plus 1 drop included now." This notation was dated November, 1957.

① - 100-23933 (MEMBERSHIP)

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AIRMAIL-REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO
RE: CP, USA, MEMBERSHIP
IS - C;
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[redacted] on 1/22/53 advised that members of the Outer Mission CP Club in San Francisco were re-registered at a meeting on 1/15/53.

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Members were asked only how long they had been in the CP and their age. There was a discussion of a drive to obtain new members and members were told that a program will be followed which will entail re-contacting those ex-CP members who have dropped to see if they desire to come back into the Party, and contacting people who have subscribed to the "People's World" in the past as prospective new CP members.

[redacted] 1/15/53 1/22/53 CHESTER L. JACOBY [redacted]

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- 3 - BUREAU (AM-REG)
 - 1 - LOS ANGELES - 1 - SAN DIEGO (AM-REG)
 - 1 - SF 100-23239
 - 1 - SF 100-41853 (CINAL)
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AIR MAIL REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)
 RE: CP, USA, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT,
 MEMBERSHIP;
 IS - C. CINAL.

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[redacted] advises that DOROTHY HEALEY, Chairman,
 Southern California District, CP, USA, was heard to remark
 that Communist Party members were "dropping like flies."

- 3 - Bureau (AM REGISTERED)
- 1 - San Francisco (Info) (REGISTERED)
- 1 - Los Angeles (100-23933)
- 1 - Los Angeles 100-43372 (CINAL)

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Source [redacted] to SA M. M. BRIGHT 2/4/58.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES DATE: February 4, 1958
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11889)
SUBJECT: CP, USA, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
IS - C

Attached to this letter are Photostats (2) of original 1958 CP registration and Fresno (5 members) and Tulare (15 members) Counties.

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[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, [redacted] to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 1/23/58 and on this date advised that [redacted] CP Valley Section Chairman LULU MAE THOMPSON, on 1/19/58 at the CP Valley Section meeting in Stockton, California, by FRANK GEORGE, Fresno County CP, and JIM BALLARD, Tulare County CP.

Photostats of original are being maintained as exhibits in SF file [redacted]

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For the information of the Los Angeles Office, ERNEST and BERTHA GURR, CP members at Merced, California, are included in the Stanislaus County registration.

- 2- Los Angeles (ENCLS 2) (REG)
- 2- Los Angeles (CP MEMBERSHIP) (REG)
- 1- Los Angeles (CP FRESNO COUNTY) (100-16828) (REG)
- 1- Los Angeles (CP TULARE COUNTY) (100-16827) (REG)
- 1- Los Angeles [redacted] (100-28272) (REG)
- 1- Los Angeles [redacted] (100-22798) (REG)
- 1- San Francisco (CP MEMBERSHIP) (100-26239)
- 1- San Francisco [redacted]
- 1- San Francisco (CP FUNDS) (100-25085)
- 1- San Francisco (100-11889)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES

DATE: 2/6/58

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FROM

SAC, NEW YORK (100-80638)

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SUBJECT: CP, USA MEMBERSHIP
IS-C

On 1/22/58, NY 2002-S*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished photographs of documents then in possession of CP functionaries at CP Headquarters, 23 West 26th Street, NYC. Negatives of these photographs are being maintained in NY file 100-80641-1B 401. Should any of this information be disseminated outside the Bureau, care should be exercised to paraphrase the information so as not to compromise NY 2002-S*.

Included in the photographs furnished by informant was an envelope which contained the following notation in longhand, "Upstate these transfers have been made." Inside the envelope there was a note which read as follows:

"Transfer to Cal. from Upstate

Irene Mandel *SI*
Charlotte Passikoff *SI*
Louis Passikoff *SI*

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from Schnectady to Los Angeles - Cal.

Transfer 4-29-57
All pd thru 12-'56
F.D. pd Apr '56"

- 4 - Los Angeles (RM)
 - (1 - 100-)
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- 4 - Albany (100-) (CP, USA Membership) (RM)
 - (1 - 100-)
 - (1 - 100-)
 - (1 - 100-)
- 1 - New York (100-80638 (#19))

100-80638-1758

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2/28/58

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AIR MAIL REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-68)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)
RE: CP, USA, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT,
MEMBERSHIP;
IS - C. CINAL.

[redacted] advises that the registration of Party members in the Southern California District is dragging and far from complete. Some clubs are ignoring it completely, and according to informant the possibility exists that if finished it will not represent a complete registration in this district.

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- 3 - Bureau (AM REGISTERED)
- 1 - San Francisco (Info) (REGISTERED)
- 1 - Los Angeles (100-23933)
- 1 - Los Angeles 100-43372 (CINAL)

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Source [redacted] to SA H. R. OVERTON 2/27/58

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-33740)
SUBJECT: CP, USA - MEMBERSHIP
IS - C

DATE: 3/14/58

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, on 2/20/58 made available to SA [redacted] a three page document which contained two letters.

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The first letter, dated "February 1, 1958", addressed "Dear Friend", advises of "new developments in the case of five CP members unconstitutionally suspended in Los Angeles....." This letter is signed, "C.H./J.H./B.D./B.D./W.P.". The letter states that further information regarding this matter may be obtained from "EDWARD DAVIS, Box 132, Buena Park, Calif.".

The three page document contains a second letter, dated "January 24, 1958", addressed "To the District Council, So. Calif. District, Communist Party, USA". This second letter is signed by "C.H./J.H./B.D./B.D./W.P.".

One photostat of this document is being sent to New York, one to Los Angeles, and the original is being retained in Chicago File 100-33740-1A(10).

- 9 - Los Angeles (Enclosure - 1) (RM)
 - 1 - 100- (CP, USA - Factionalism)
 - 1 - 100- [redacted]
 - 1 - 100- ("C.H.")
 - 1 - 100- ("J.H.")
 - 1 - 100- ("B.D.")
 - 1 - 100- ("B.D.")
 - 1 - 100- ("W.P.")
- 1 - New York (100-80638) (CP, USA - Membership) (Encl.-1) (RM)
- 2 - Chicago
 - 1 - A [redacted]

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES

FROM : SAC, SAN DIEGO (100-6764)

SUBJECT: CP, USA
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT
SAN DIEGO DIVISION
MEMBERSHIP
IS - C

DATE: 3/19/58

Following is up-to-date summary of estimated membership in the Communist Party in the San Diego Division covering the first quarter of 1958, January 1, through March 31, 1958:

County	Known CP Members	Suspected Members	Totals
Imperial	0	0	0
San Diego	23	2	25
TOTALS	23	2	25

The above figures vary from those of the previous quarter as follows:

In the quarter, October 1, through December 31, 1957, the figures were 21 Known and Zero Suspected, for a total of 21.

The variation is accounted for by information provided by [redacted] on March 13, 1958 to the effect that at the meeting of the San Diego County Communist Party on March 12, 1958, JOHN W. PORTER, the attorney, was named as a new transfer into the SDCCP. At the same time it was stated that he would make contact with the other two lawyers. It is presumed that this refers to his partners, IRWIN GOSTIN and LOUIS KATZ, who have been active in local front groups but have not appeared at CP meetings. It is possible that they are members in view of this statement and they are the two "suspected" members.

- 2 - Los Angeles (REGISTERED)
- 1 - San Francisco (REGISTERED)
- 1 - San Diego

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At the same meeting the informant advised it was announced that a transfer came in for a woman whose name sounded like ADA KIRKPATRICK or KILPATRICK. This accounts for the other addition to the Known membership. This person is to attend the next meeting.

It is to be noted that the comment was made at the March 12, 1958 meeting by MIRIAM STARCEVIC (Chairman) that with the payment of all back dues everyone would be considered as being re-registered. Apparently there is to be no formal or active re-registration as such. - P* -

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3/17/58

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)

RE: CP, USA, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT,
MEMBERSHIP;
IS - C, CINAL.

[redacted] advised that CHARLENE MITCHELL, Administrative Secretary, SCDOP, on 3/9/58 gave a report to the District Council on current registration standings in this District. She reported the registration is still not complete, and only a preliminary report is available. MITCHELL noted that of 22 sections in Los Angeles County only 13 sections have reported with a total of 680 registered members. Four outlying counties are also unreported. In some areas the registration constitutes a 40% to 50% loss over the last registration. At present the average age of members appears to be about 51 years and the average time in the Party between 15 and 20 years.

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HEIN DOBBS, Executive Secretary, SCDOP, reported to the District Council that the last official registration in 1946 showed 1,987 members in Los Angeles County alone, not including the outlying sections which have since been added.

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Concerning the above average, [redacted] observed that the 13 sections reporting are probably proportionately higher in their degree of registration than those sections which have not yet reported. Hence, it must be assumed that the figure 680 members is somewhat more than half the ultimate complete registration. Assuming the registration to date constitutes 60% of the total to be reported, this would place the ultimate

- 3 - Bureau (ALL REGISTERED)
 - 1 - San Francisco (Info) (REGISTERED)
 - 1 - San Diego (Info) (REGISTERED)
 - 1 - Los Angeles (100-23933)
 - 1 - Los Angeles 100-43372 (CINAL)
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registration somewhere between 1,000 and 1,100 for the Southern California District. Informant observed that this represents a 100% loss in the past two years.

In connection with the above estimate of 1,000 to 1,100 members it is noted that a survey of live informants conducted by the Los Angeles Office late in 1957 disclosed an estimated 1,010 active dues paying members at that time.

Source to SA W. L. PARKER 3/10/58.

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3/31/58

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-68)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)
RE: CP, USA, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT,
MEMBERSHIP;
IS - C, CINAL.

[redacted] advises that the deadline for the current re-registration of members in the Southern California District has been extended to 4/19/58. Informant states that DOROTHY HEALEY, Chairman, SCDGP, has reported that over 600 members have been registered to date, and the County Board has estimated that the final registration for the entire district including San Diego will be 1,050 members, as compared with 1,809 members in 1956, and 1,493 who were registered as of November, 1957.

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- 3 - Bureau (AM REGISTERED)
- 1 - San Francisco (Info)(REGISTERED)
- 1 - San Diego (Info)(REGISTERED)
- 1 - Los Angeles (100-23933)
- 1 - Los Angeles 100-43372 (CINAL)

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Source [redacted] to SA H. R. OVERTON 3/26/58.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933) DATE: 3/31/58

FROM : *WB* SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-26239)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
MEMBERSHIP
IS - C

On February 17, 1958, CS SF 2148-S* (documentation unnecessary) furnished photographs of material pertinent to Communist Party activities to Agents of the San Francisco Division. The source is close to ALBERT J. (MICKEY) LIMA, Chairman, Northern California Regional CP.

Photograph M L 2048 gives some membership figures for areas within the Los Angeles Division and is enclosed for information.

- 2 - Los Angeles (ENCLS.)(REGISTERED MAIL)
- 1 - San Francisco
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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-68)
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)
 RE: CP, USA, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT,
 MEMBERSHIP;
 IS - C. CINAL.

[redacted] ^{WERE} advises that at the outset of the current registration the Party in Los Angeles County alone held itself accountable for 1,321 members of whom 710 ~~were~~ registered for 1958 as of March 26, 1958. A survey of informants in outlying counties (Excluding San Diego with 23 members) shows there are 79 members in SCDCP Sections outside Los Angeles County. In March the District Board estimated there would be a total of 1,050 members registered in the SCDCP, which would leave a total of 971 members in Los Angeles County. The above estimate by the District Board was made prior to the recent resignation of 26 California Communists from the Party and it appears the final registration figure will still have to be revised downward.

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- 3 - Bureau (AM REGISTERED)
- 1 - San Francisco (Info)(REGISTERED)
- 1 - Los Angeles (100-23933)
- 1 - Los Angeles 100-43372 (CINAL)

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Source [redacted] to SA H. R. OVERTON 4/11/58.

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MEMBERSHIP

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The following was prepared by SA W. NATHAN PROVINSE:

T-2 advised on February 27, 1958, that the registration of Party members in the SCDCP is dragging, and is far from complete. Some clubs are ignoring it completely, and according to T-2, the possibility exists that even when it is finished it will not represent a complete registration in this district.

On March 10, 1958, T-4 advised that CHARLENE MITCHELL, Administrative Secretary, SCDCP, on March 9, 1958 gave a report to the District Council on current registration standings in this district. She reported the registration is still not complete, and only a preliminary report is available. MITCHELL noted that of 22 sections in Los Angeles County, only 13 sections have reported, with a total of 680 registered members. Four outlying counties are also unreported. In some areas the registration constitutes a 40 per cent to 50 per cent loss over the last registration. At present the average age of members appears to be about 51 years, and the average time in the Party, between 15 and 20 years.

Concerning the above figures, T-4 observed that the 13 sections reporting are probably proportionately higher in their degree of registration than those sections which have not yet reported. Hence, it must be assumed that the figure, 680 members, is somewhat more than half the ultimate complete registration. Assuming the registration, to date, constitutes 60 per cent of the total to be reported, this would place the ultimate registration somewhere between 1,000 and 1,100 for the Southern California District.

The most current registration figures furnished by T-2 on March 26, 1958, disclose that as of that date the Party in Los Angeles County alone, held itself accountable for 1,321 members, of whom 710 had been re-registered as of that time.

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As noted, heretofore, it is not anticipated that all members, for which the Party holds itself accountable, will be re-registered; however, for the purposes of recapitulating membership during the recent past, the figure of 1,321 members in Los Angeles County is being used. A recapitulation of membership in all counties in the SCDCP is as follows:

<u>County</u>	<u>Number of Members</u>	<u>Source</u>
Los Angeles	1,321	T-2 (3/26/58)
San Bernardino- Riverside	33	T-23, T-24 (4/1/58)
Orange	17	T-10, T-11 (3/25/58)
Santa Barbara- Ventura	6	T-25 (3/25/58)
San Diego	<u>23</u>	T-26 (3/13/58)
Total, SCDCP:	1,400	

Following is a recapitulation of the membership in the area covered by the Los Angeles Division, excluding San Diego County, but including Fresno and Tulare Counties, which fall within the jurisdiction of the Northern California District, CP:

<u>County</u>	<u>Number of Members</u>	<u>Source</u>
Los Angeles	1,321	T-2 (3/26/58)
San Bernardino- Riverside	33	T-23, T-24 (4/1/58)
Orange	17	T-10, T-11 (3/25/58)
Santa Barbara- Ventura	6	T-25 (3/25/58)
Tulare	15	T-27 (1/23/58)
Fresno	<u>5</u>	T-27 (1/23/58)
Total members in area covered by Los Angeles Division	1,397	

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T-2 advised on March 26, 1958, that the deadline for the current re-registration of members in the SCDCP has been extended to April 19, 1958. T-2 advised that DOROTHY HEALEY has stated that the County Board has estimated the final registrations for the entire district, including San Diego, will be 1,050 members, as compared with 1,809 members in 1956, and 1,493 members who were registered as of November, 1957.

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O F F I C E M E M O R A N D U M * * * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-68)
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-33740)
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA
MEMBERSHIP
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: 4/8/58

CG 5824-S*, on April 4, 1958, made available to SA JOHN E. KEATING, for photostating, a copy of a three-page, typewritten letter dated March 6, 1958. This letter is addressed, "National Committee, Communist Party of the United States, Dear Comrades:". The following is the complete text of the first paragraph of this letter:

"We are writing to inform you that, with profound regret, we are leaving the Communist Party. We have reached this conclusion reluctantly and only after a considerable period of time in which we, with others, hoped that the Party would move in the direction of overcoming its isolation from the American people."

The letter is signed as follows:

"From Northern California

Bill Sennett
Loretta Starvus
Louise Todd
Oleta O'Connor Yates
Martin and
Five additional members in San Francisco

"From Southern California

Frank Carlson
Mort Newman
Henry Steinberg
Celeste Strack
Don Wheeldin
Martha Wheeldin
Art
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3 - Bureau (Encl. 1)(REGISTERED)
(1 - 100-3-104)(CP-USA, Counter-Intelligence Program)

18 - Los Angeles (Encl. 1)(REGISTERED)
(1 - 100-) (CP-USA, Southern California District,
Factionalism)
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Membership)

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2 - New York (Encl. 1)(REGISTERED)
(1 - 100-87211)(CP-USA, Factionalism)(#19-1)
(1 - 100-80638)(CP-USA, Membership)(#19-1)

7 - San Francisco (Encl. 1)(REGISTERED)
(1 - 100-) (CP-USA, Northern California District,
Factionalism)
(1 - 100-26239)(CP-USA, Northern California District,
Membership)

(1 - 100-40021) [redacted]
(1 - 100-) [redacted]
(1 - 100-2884) [redacted]
(1 - 61-414)(OLETA O'CONNOR YATES)
(1 - 100-) [redacted]

2 - Chicago
(1 - A/134-46)

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CG 100-33740

Bob K.
Frances
Janet
Kappy
Lou B.
Milt
Phil R.
Lil C."

One photostat copy of this item is enclosed herewith to the Bureau, Los Angeles, New York and San Francisco Divisions. The Chicago copy is located in Chicago file 100-33740-1A11.

O F F I C E M E M O R A N D U M * * * U N I T E D S T A T E S G O V E R N M E N T

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69) DATE: 4/11/58
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-33741)
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA
 ORGANIZATION
 INTERNAL SECURITY - C

EXTREME CARE MUST BE USED IN HANDLING AND REPORTING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE IDENTITY OF A HIGHLY PLACED INFORMANT.

CG 5824-S*, on April 4, 1958, orally furnished to SA JOHN E. KEATING the information contained on the following pages. This information was obtained from EUGENE DENNIS on March 31, 1958. DENNIS was discussing recent developments in the Communist Party - USA, with emphasis on the meeting of the National Executive Committee which was held in New York City on March 28 and 29, 1958.

- 2 - Bureau (REGISTERED)
- 2 - Baltimore (REGISTERED)
 - (1 - 100-12464)(CP-USA, Organization)
 - (1 - 100-12076)(GEORGE A. MEYERS)
- 1 - Boston (100-20778)(CP-USA, Membership)(REGISTERED)
- 1 - Buffalo (100-4379)(CP-USA, Strategy in Industry)(REGISTERED)
- 2 - Cincinnati (REGISTERED)
 - (1 - 100-) (CP-USA, Membership)
 - (1 - 100-) (CP-USA, Strategy in Industry)
- 3 - Cleveland (REGISTERED)
 - (1 - 100-) (CP-USA, Membership)
 - (1 - 100-17257)(CP-USA, Organization)
 - (1 - 100-) (CP-USA, Strategy in Industry)
- 1 - Denver (100-1934)(Cominfil - IUMMSW)(REGISTERED)

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6 - Detroit (REGISTERED)

(1 - 100-16906) (CP-USA, Membership)
(1 - 100-2050) (CP-USA, Organization)
(1 - 100-) (CP-USA, Political Activities)
(1 - 100-17161) (CP-USA, Strategy in Industry)
(1 - 100-6075) (Gominfil - UAW)
(1 - 100-13420) (CARL WINTER)

6 - Los Angeles (REGISTERED)

(1 - 100-) (CP-USA, Domestic Administration Issues)
(1 - 100-) (CP-USA, Membership)
(1 - 100-26044) (CP-USA, Organization)
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(1 - 100-74560) (CP-USA, Funds)
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(1 - 100-80644) (CP-USA, Youth Matters) (#19-1)
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(1 - 100-4013) (Socialist Workers Party) (#7)
(1 - 100-) (Women's International League for Peace and
Freedom)
(1 - 100-) (Cominfil - American Friends Service Committee)
(1 - 100-) (Cominfil - International Brotherhood of Teamsters)
(1 - 100-) (Cominfil - Transport Workers Union of America)
(1 - 100-13644) (Cominfil - UERMWA)
(1 - 100-) (Cominfil - Warehouse Distributors Union)
(1 - 100-32826) (JAMES ALLEN) (#7-2)
(1 - 100-25623) (ERIC BERT) (#12-11)
(1 - 100-) (Mrs. ERIC BERT)
(1 - 100-559) (JESUS COLON) (#12-16)
(1 - 100-23825) (BENJAMIN DAVIS, JR.) (#19-1)
(1 - 100-8057) (EUGENE DENNIS) (#19-1)
(1 - 100-26776) (CHARLES DIRBA) (#12-15)
(1 - 100-1696) (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN) (#19-1)
(1 - 100-13473) (SIMON W. GERSON) (#19-1)
(1 - 100-81495) (HARRY HAYWOOD)
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10 - San Francisco (REGISTERED)

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(1 - 100-) (Cominfil - International Longshoremen's and
Warehousemen's Union)
(1 - 100-) (AL LANNON)
(1 - 65-1242) (MICKEY LIMA)
(1 - 97-26) (WILLIAM SCHNEIDERMAN)

8 - Seattle (REGISTERED)

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(1 - 100-) (Socialist Workers Party)
(1 - 100-) (Cominfil - International Association of Machinists)
(1 - 100-) (Cominfil - International Woodworkers of America)

1 - Washington Field (100-) (CP-USA, Pamphlets and Publications)
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April 4, 1958

EUGENE DENNIS, on March 31, 1958, was discussing recent developments in the Communist Party - USA, with emphasis on the meeting of the National Executive Committee which was held in New York City on March 28 and 29, 1958. While DENNIS occasionally mentioned the person who gave the report on a particular topic at this National Executive Committee meeting, he was really presenting those items with which he was in agreement. He was also exaggerating in some instances. To this extent, his remarks should not be taken as an accurate report of the proceedings of this National Executive Committee meeting. Most of this discussion was conducted in writing at the residence of DENNIS in New York City.

PAUL ROBESON's Book, "Here I Stand"

DENNIS stated that the National Executive Committee meeting started with a discussion of the significance of PAUL ROBESON's book, "Here I Stand". In this connection, those present talked about new trends in the Negro movement in comparison with the early 1950's and the impact of this book on these new trends. It was felt that the book represents a unity of the Left and the progressive forces, with an outlook for a broader Negro movement. DENNIS stated that the goal is to distribute 100,000 copies of ROBESON's book. He said that it is selling pretty well and that they are going to try to distribute it in the labor movement in both the North and in the South.

According to DENNIS, the "Afro-American", a Negro newspaper, has serialized the biographical portion of the book and has run some serious editorials concerning it. Also, another Negro newspaper, the "Amsterdam News", carried a review by its leading columnist, one READING (ph), in which he said that the book contains something of interest for every American Negro.

MICKEY LIMA reported to the National Executive Committee that the selling of ROBESON's book and ROBESON's presence in California made an immense impact on the Negro community. LIMA said that they have not seen anything like it in California in years.

DENNIS mentioned a recent newspaper item in which Prime Minister JAWAHARLAL NEHRU, of India, is quoted in regard to PAUL ROBESON's book. DENNIS stated that NEHRU's statement will have great political significance in regard to the Negroes in the United States.

Congressional Elections

DENNIS stated that MICKEY LIMA gave a report to the National Executive Committee on the election campaign in California and that LIMA's report will result in an article which will appear in the May, 1958, issue of "Political Affairs".

DENNIS said that it is necessary to keep in mind that California is the springboard for Senator WILLIAM KNOWLAND and his "right-to-work" movement. Since they involve KNOWLAND and important legislation concerning the labor movement, the elections in California have a special national significance.

The Communist Party in California will raise a slogan and impart it to all who can be influenced by the Party. The essence of this slogan will be, "Defeat Knowland At All Costs".

According to DENNIS, there will be no oppositionist candidate from the Left for the governorship of California. The Communist Party will place emphasis on certain issues, and he believes that these issues reflect the thinking of the labor movement. These issues are: (1) Opposition to "right-to-work" legislation; (2) Unemployment relief and related economic problems; (3) Peace in connection with economics and with emphasis on trade with China; (4) Civil rights; and (5) Civil liberties.

Then DENNIS stated that in one California District it is definite that a "KNOWLAND Congressman" will be replaced by a Congressman friendly to labor. Then DENNIS said that one HOLLAND ROBERTS (ph), formerly the head of the California Labor School, is a candidate for State Superintendent of Education in California. According to DENNIS, ROBERTS is very progressive, is conducting a good campaign, and has a good chance of being elected. His program is anti-war and is for democracy and peace in education.

There is one fly in the ointment, according to DENNIS. He said that the Trotskyists, by shouting for independent working class candidates, may dissipate some of the strength of the labor movement and the Left in California. DENNIS stated, in this connection, that the Communist Party will run some candidates for Congress and the State Legislature in California. The Communist Party in California will also do everything it can to help establish independent committees to defeat KNOWLAND, and will characterize him as the "Senator from Formosa", since he talks more about Formosa than about California. DENNIS stated that the Communist

Party would not endorse anyone merely because he was a candidate for one of the major political parties, not even candidates of the Democratic Party.

DENNIS stated that the Communist Party will try to influence the outcome of all Congressional elections and the events during the campaigns so that the labor movement, the Negro movement, and the farmers will actively participate in the campaigns.

The Communist Party will advance the idea of independent political action by encouraging the COPE of the AFL-CIO and by encouraging labor-farmer unity.

The Communist Party will also encourage activity by independent organizations of the workers around the following five issues: (1) Unemployment; (2) The need to transform "right-to-work" into the "right-to-a-job"; (3) Peace and international trade to end the recession; (4) Stopping of A and H Bomb tests; and (5) Demanding a summit conference.

DENNIS also stated that during the election campaigns, the Communist Party will advance its own position independently. It will bring forward its complete program. It will point to the possibility of unity with other groups, but will go beyond this.

DENNIS then cited an example of recent independent political action on the part of organized labor, and said that this shows that labor will not merely endorse Democratic Party candidates. He pointed out that STELLATO (ph), President of Local #600 of the United Auto Workers in Michigan, is a candidate against Congressman JOHN LESINSKI. DENNIS stated that this is no accident and it emphasizes the role of the CIO. While the CIO is sympathetic to the Democratic Party, it is no longer satisfied with lukewarm support and this is the reason for challenging JOHN LESINSKI.

With regard to Negro candidates, DENNIS stated that there is an outlook for a Negro candidate in Philadelphia. There is also a probability of one Negro Congressman from Ohio and the possibility of an additional Negro Congressman from Michigan.

Turning his attention to the Trotskyists once again, DENNIS stated that they are making an appeal for a united Socialist ticket. DENNIS stated that recently in Seattle, Washington, there

was no opposition to the candidates for the Democratic and Republican Parties. As a result of this, the Trotskyists rolled up a vote of fourteen thousand for their candidate. Then DENNIS stated that an appeal for a united Socialist ticket is so much bunk. The Communist Party should reject such united fronts behind Trotskyist candidates.

When asked what is the attitude of the Communist Party - USA toward the "National Guardian", which supports a united Socialist ticket, DENNIS stated that the National Executive Committee will discuss this problem in May, 1958. Also, in the May issue of "Political Affairs" there will be an article which will not deal favorably with the policies of the "National Guardian". DENNIS also stated that in three or four weeks, the National Executive Committee will review the American Forum for Socialist Education. He commented that this will not be a sympathetic review, although the Communist Party may not withdraw all of its members from the American Forum for Socialist Education.

"The Worker"

Next DENNIS discussed "The Worker". He said that bundle orders have increased the bundle circulation by 2,500, and this average has been maintained since the "Daily Worker" folded. He also stated that 2,000 subscriptions have been obtained, and there is optimism about the chances of increasing the over-all circulation of "The Worker".

He talked about the change in the character of "The Worker" since JOHN GATES left. He said that there is an increase in working class news, such as unemployment and labor struggles. There is good coverage on the auto industry. There is now much more news and editorial comment on the Negro struggle.

Then he said that what "The Worker" needs now is more analytical articles and articles which set forth perspectives; however, these analytical articles will not be like those in the "National Guardian". They will combine analysis with perspectives.

DENNIS did discuss some of the negative factors of "The Worker". He mentioned the depletion of the staff. He said there is no deep foreign affairs news. He stated that both ABE MAGIL and SI GERSON have left the paper. While JIM ALLEN is not on the staff, he will write a weekly column on foreign affairs. They have also organized a group of people who will write on Latin American

affairs and the Far East. While there is little or no news from Washington, D.C., at the present time, DENNIS stated that there will be weekly coverage of affairs in Washington. He said that they now have somebody in Washington who knows his stuff. DENNIS also stated that, on a voluntary basis, SI GERSON will review for "The Worker" the book "Masters of Deceit", by J. EDGAR HOOVER.

DENNIS then discussed the composition of the staff of "The Worker". He said that ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN is the Editor, while GEORGE MORRIS, JOE NORTH and JACK STACHEL are Associate Editors. ERIC BERT will continue to be the Managing Editor, but this will not be announced publicly since his wife has a job which would be endangered if he were publicly listed as the Business Manager of "The Worker". WILLIAM L. PATTERSON continues as the General Manager of "The Worker".

DENNIS stated that JESUS COLON is in the business office of "The Worker". While he writes a column, he is not a part of the editorial staff. DENNIS said that in the near future, they will try to add a Negro to the staff of "The Worker".

Labor Matters

DENNIS next discussed labor and unemployment. He stated that the National Executive Committee heard a report by GEORGE MORRIS, which was an estimate of the AFL-CIO Conference on Unemployment held in Washington, D.C., during the middle of March, 1958. DENNIS also stated that during the discussion period at the National Executive Committee meeting, they had a state-by-state survey of the activity of the Communist Party - USA in regard to unemployment.

When asked why "The Worker", in printing a list of demands resulting from the AFL-CIO Conference, omitted the demand for more armaments to decrease unemployment, DENNIS stated that this was not one of the demands of the Conference. He said that there were seven hundred delegates to the Conference, but most were trade union officials and few were rank and filers. Most of them spoke about their own problems in regard to unemployment. Only GEORGE MEANY dealt with the need for armaments, and this was ignored almost unanimously. It was not mentioned in the final list of demands resulting from the Conference. He said that the demands or the program contains eight points, and "The Worker" printed these eight points, just as they were listed by the AFL-CIO Conference.

DENNIS also stated that the delegates to this AFL-CIO Conference organized a lobby and visited Senators and Congressmen with this eight-point program. According to DENNIS, some of the Congressmen asked them to go further in their demands, particularly those in regard to a reduction in taxes.

Next DENNIS talked about unemployment struggles. He said there are real struggles in Ohio, Michigan and Illinois. He said that wherever possible, the Communist Party will urge the merger of demands in regard to unemployment with the movement of labor against the "right-to-work" laws. A "right-to-a-job" slogan will be used to campaign against "right-to-work" legislation.

He stated that the Communist Party in California was slow in getting started in the fight for economic demands, but now it is advocating more relief and a State program of public works.

According to DENNIS, the Communist Party of Ohio is the most advanced in the unemployment struggle. This is especially true in the steel industry and in the building trades. He said that in a number of cities in Ohio, including Cleveland, it was the initiative of the Communist Party and the labor movement which resulted in getting the City Councils to petition the Federal Government for an increase in unemployment compensation.

DENNIS stated that the relationship between the Communist Party and the trade unions in Ohio is good. He said that the Communist Party members in a Painters Local got the ball rolling in regard to the demands for unemployment relief. These demands were brought to the Union Council, and the Council was able to rally more important unions behind these demands.

According to DENNIS, the Communist Party has influence in Local #65 of the Warehouse Distributors Union in New York City, and this Local is beginning to do something and to lead the move for relief from unemployment. He said that a big movement is developing in Buffalo, New York, for relief from unemployment, and that the Communist Party is playing a role in this movement in Buffalo.

DENNIS stated that at the National Executive Committee meeting, he spoke about the political perspectives in the struggle in regard to unemployment. He said that he suggested that the Communist Party should go beyond the demands put forth by the unions and should add politics to the struggle. The Communist

Party should show that a democratic and peaceful solution to this economic crisis is possible at the expense of the monopolies. The struggle can be given political content by showing which monopolies, trusts and financial oligarchies are behind the EISENHOWER Administration. They need to be exposed by name. We can also show in this expose that these monopolies and trusts are the chief manufacturers of armaments generally, and missiles specifically. They are also against a summit conference and the ending of H-Bomb tests. They are sparking the anti-labor drive. If there is a summit meeting, it will be because they are unable to prevent it and are forced into it by events both in the United States and abroad. Thus, it can be shown that the United States has an imperialist, monopolistic government.

When asked if there are any differences between the Democratic Party and the Republican Party, DENNIS said that although HARRY TRUMAN and JOHN FOSTER DULLES, who represents the EISENHOWER Administration, have a united front on foreign affairs and favor the continuation of the cold war, they differ seriously on the economic program.

Within the Democratic Party there is a split in regard to the anti-labor legislation being proposed by the McClellan Committee. The majority of the Democratic Party is more sympathetic to labor than the Republican Party. This will guarantee control of both Houses of Congress by the Democratic Party after the November elections.

The Economic Crisis

DENNIS turned to the economic crisis, and said that it must be called a crisis because that is what it is and it has not yet reached its depth. Even if there is an improvement here and there, there is no recovery in sight and there is no return to the boom period which prevailed after the Korean War.

What is the economic outlook? DENNIS said that the outlook is for only partial recovery with a larger army of unemployed. The farm crisis is not abating and will lead to political changes on a Congressional level. Where Republicans have been deeply entrenched, they will be defeated and it is quite likely that in the new Congress there will emerge a pro-labor, pro-farmer, pro-peace corps of representatives.

The Communist Party is planning to issue a quarter of a

million copies of a leaflet dealing with unemployment, and this leaflet will be completed soon.

Scheduled Meetings

In the latter part of April, 1958, or early May, 1958, the Communist Party will call two conferences -- one in the Eastern part and one in the Midwestern part of the United States. These conferences will deal with the following: (1) Unemployment; (2) Congressional elections; and (3) The status of the Party registration.

The National Committee of the Communist Party - USA will meet during the first or second week of June, 1958.

Causes for Resignations from the Communist Party and Factionalism

DENNIS stated that at the National Executive Committee meeting, BOB THOMPSON spoke about the resignations from the Communist Party of twenty-one people from the California Districts and the resignation of several leaders of the New York District from their positions. DENNIS said that THOMPSON placed emphasis on the ultra-Left in assessing the cause of these resignations, while he, DENNIS, also dealt with the ultra-Left and with the defections from the Right.

DENNIS said that the ultra-Left makes a lot of noise, which is out of proportion to the number of its supporters. DENNIS stated that the ultra-Left has only twelve persons organized as a faction in the James Ford Section in Harlem; yet, they make a lot of noise. They have supporters in Brooklyn. There is also a link between CHARLIE LOMAN and MANNY BLUM. DENNIS said that the national leadership will smoke out these people.

DENNIS stated that recently at a meeting of the New York State Committee, BENJAMIN DAVIS attacked W. W. WEINSTONE and insinuated that WEINSTONE is giving aid and support to the ultra-Left. DENNIS stated that WEINSTONE wanted the Communist Party to put forth a full slate of either Communist Party or Leftist candidates in the November election in New York. DAVIS took issue with WEINSTONE and led the fight against him.

In speaking about the elections in New York State, DENNIS said that what may happen is that an independent candidate

may run for United States Senator. He said that an effort has been made to get RALPH BUNCHE to run as a Senatorial candidate, but this probably will not happen. There is, however, a move to draft ELEANOR ROOSEVELT to run for the United States Senate from New York State.

DENNIS stated that THOMPSON made a very good report to the National Executive Committee and that he exposed the trade union policy of the ultra-Left. The ultra-Left states that there is no differentiation between leader and leader in the trade union movement. They are all alike. The main threat to the labor movement, according to the ultra-Left, is the "new class", which is the labor bureaucracy. DENNIS said that the Communist Party cannot tolerate such a viewpoint because the Party would be in a constant fight with the trade union leadership. It would get nowhere because there would be no room to maneuver.

In regard to election policy, the ultra-Left not only asks for a Communist Party slate of candidates or a Farmer-Labor Party, but would probably even endorse a Trotskyist slate.

With regard to the Negro question, the ultra-Left puts forth the slogan of Self-Determination in the Black Belt and emphasizes that Negro reformists are the main enemy. DENNIS said that the Communist Party - USA cannot support such a program.

Concerning the Soviet Union, the ultra-Left is attacking NIKITA KHRUSHCHEV. The ultra-Left attacks his thesis that war is not inevitable. The ultra-Left says that imperialism makes war inevitable.

DENNIS said that the ultra-Left had a national conference recently, which was attended by about fifty persons. He said that at this conference there was a move by the ultra ultra-Left to break away from the Communist Party and set up a new Communist Party, but the ultra ultra-Left was defeated by a vote of 38 to 18.

Then DENNIS said that within the ultra-Left there are still some good people who turned to the ultra-Left when JOHN GATES was the Editor of the "Daily Worker". He stated, We will have to try to win these few good ones away; however, the national leadership is determined to start a drive against all factions. The national leadership will stop the circulation of documents, appeals, etc., and will "crack down" on the ultra-Left.

With regard to the twenty-one resignations from the Communist Party in California, these will be condemned and the National Executive Committee will make certain that the attitude of National Committee members is known. The national leadership or National Office will expect all National Committee members to state their attitude clearly and let everyone know where they stand. In this regard, he particularly mentioned FRED FINE, SID STEIN and BILL SCHNEIDERMAN, and said that it also applies to anyone who had sympathized with the Right wing.

Then DENNIS stated that the National Executive Committee will also demand certain things from W. W. WEINSTONE, MANNY BLUM and the supporters of the ultra-Left. The National Executive Committee will demand that they fight for the line of the National Committee. DENNIS said that at the National Executive Committee meeting they voted for this policy and approach. Both CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT and MICKEY LIMA voted for this approach. It is now a decision that all members of the National Committee will be expected to support majority decisions of the National Committee, even though they were in the minority in regard to these decisions and stated their objections at a meeting of the National Committee.

In the crackdown on the ultra-Left, the National Office will differentiate between leaders and followers. In Chicago, they will start with a couple of persons, one of whom is JAMES KELLER. He will be told to shut up or get out of the Party. In New York, this will apply to HARRY HAYWOOD and ARMANDO RAMON. In California, it will apply to AL LANNON.

DENNIS said that at the National Executive Committee it was voted that BOB THOMPSON should prepare an article dealing with the ultra-Left. It was also voted that DENNIS should prepare an article dealing with the Right wing and resignations from the Communist Party. Both these articles will be sent to all State Committees before they are published. These articles are presently being prepared.

The Jewish Question

DENNIS said that actually what is happening in the Communist Party - USA is that the Jewish question is being raised by bourgeoisie nationalists, provocateurs and spies.

He said that those representing bourgeoisie nationalism are PAUL NOVICK, MORRIS SCHAPPE and SALTZMAN. He said that NOVICK

has written a 25-page article, and it is being examined and considered for publication in "Political Affairs".

The Liberty Book Club was considering the publication and distribution of the recent book by HYMAN LEVY, a former member of the Communist Party of Great Britain, on the Jews and the national question. A review of this book is being sent to all members of the National Committee, with an accompanying letter by HY LUMER. DENNIS said that the Communist Party - USA will try to dissuade the Liberty Book Club from circulating LEVY's book.

Then DENNIS stated that the Communist Party is preparing conferences in New York on the Jewish question, and there will be a showdown on this issue. DENNIS said that he had heard that a document on the Jewish question is circulating in the Party. He said that he had not seen the document, but was told that it is well documented, has illustrations, etc.

Factionalism in Regard to Funds

DENNIS said that all kinds of charges are being made on the misuse of Party funds in New York and in Brooklyn. He stated that the National Executive Committee has voted to set up a committee of five non-functionaries in the National Office for the purpose of looking into the financial situation in New York and in Brooklyn. Thus far, they have named only two persons to this committee, and they are CHARLES DIRBA, the National Auditor, and CONSTANTINE RADZIE; however, three more persons will be added to this committee and it will start functioning soon.

Banning of H-Bomb Tests and a Summit Meeting

DENNIS said that he made the report to the National Executive Committee in regard to the banning of H-Bomb tests and a summit meeting. He said that he told the National Executive Committee that the USSR would make an announcement that H-Bomb tests would be halted by Russia. He said those present at the meeting asked him if he were a prophet, and he replied that he just knew that the Russians would make such an announcement. Then he said that the Communist Party - USA would issue a statement on the banning of H-Bomb tests.

DENNIS stated that there is a lot of activity in this field and the Communist Party is playing an important role. He mentioned the Quakers, the Women's International League for Peace

and Freedom, and the Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy. He said that the activities in this regard are not accidental and they are national in scope. He said that five meetings in regard to the fight for peace and the ending of nuclear tests are being organized in New York. Ads are appearing in the newspapers, and ads will appear in the future. Petitions to halt the United States' tests in the Marshall Islands are being circulated, and this campaign is being tied in with a demand for a summit meeting.

DENNIS said that the main question is how to broaden this movement. He commented that various scientists are playing an important role in the broadening of this movement, but the statements of the scientists are not being properly utilized. He said that the trade unions can play a role in this movement. He mentioned that at the Denver Convention of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, a resolution in this regard was adopted. The International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union is doing some work on this. Local #805 of the Teamsters Union in New York, where the Communist Party has a lot of influence, is doing something in this regard.

Communist Party Activity in the Trade Unions

DENNIS said that generally there is an increase in Communist Party activity in the trade unions. He said that for the first time in a year and a half, UE people sought out the Party leaders and he even talked to some UE members.

He said that in the Transport Workers Union in New York, there is a new relationship between Communist Party and non-Communist Party members, and some Communist Party members have been elected as stewards in this union. He stated that there are stirrings in Packing and in the United Auto Workers, with the Communist Party beginning to play a role in contract negotiations and relief from unemployment.

According to DENNIS, there is a lot of Communist Party activity in the trade unions in the State of Washington and an increase of Party influence in the Wood Workers Union and in the International Association of Machinists.

Communist Party Registration

DENNIS said that there was no over-all report in regard to the registration at the National Executive Committee meeting,

but since several Districts were present, they obtained somewhat of a picture of what is happening in regard to the registration.

He said that Ohio has registered 87% of its membership at the time of the last registration, and by May 1, 1958, the Ohio District expects to register 450 members, or 100% of its last registration, and the Communist Party is being consolidated in Ohio.

In the New York District, 2,360 members had been registered by February, and by May 1, 1958, they will have a total registered membership of 3,000 in the New York District. The goal is to register 4,000 members in New York. He said that this may be a prolonged registration because they found that a lot of people became disconnected. It was not their fault that they are not registered.

The Southern California District thought that it would register 1,200, but only 1,000 have been registered up until now. Northern California has registered 450. He said that the Right wing is sabotaging the registration in Northern California, but the Party in that District is being consolidated despite this.

The State of Washington has registered 350. A total of 300 have been registered in the South. New Jersey has registered 250, but DENNIS believes they will go over 400 in New Jersey. There is absolutely no report on the registration in New England. DENNIS said that since CARL WINTER was not present at the National Executive Committee meeting, no registration figure was given for Michigan, but DENNIS believes the Michigan District has registered 350.

DENNIS said that the national total is now 6,000 registered members and that they hope to reach a total of 9,000 when the registration is completed. He again emphasized that it will be a prolonged registration. He commented that the Party is badly in need of organizers, and said that some of the District leaders did not even know how to conduct a registration.

Parenthetically speaking, it should be noted that DENNIS expects the leadership of the Communist Party - USA to claim that the membership of the Communist Party - USA is 9,000.

Publications

DENNIS stated that the present circulation of "Political

Affairs" is 7,000, and this is an increase of 1,500 over last year. The circulation of "The Worker" was 9,300 when the "Daily Worker" closed down, and now the circulation of "The Worker" is 11,500.

Deficit Problems

According to DENNIS, it is expected that "The Worker" will operate at a deficit of \$80,000 for the year 1958. He said they are still saddled with a \$50,000 deficit or obligations left over from the "Daily Worker". These two deficits add up to \$130,000.

He mentioned the "People's World", and said that it has a circulation of 8,700. A drive for \$75,000 is being conducted by the "People's World", since this is the amount of the deficit for that paper. He mentioned that the ultra-Left on the West coast is boycotting the "People's World".

DENNIS also stated that those on the National Office payroll are four and one-half weeks behind in pay, and that most of the money currently being raised goes toward the maintenance of "The Worker".

Youth Matters

According to DENNIS, the Party is beginning to talk about the youth on the West coast and in Ohio. He stated that the youth are doing some work in the State of Washington. New York is also starting to do something in regard to the youth.

DENNIS said that there will be a youth conference during the summer of 1958, and this conference will put forward a new approach to a youth organization. While the Communist Party will initiate this youth conference, it may not be limited to the Communist Party.

The Communist Party - USA Program

DENNIS stated that at the next meeting of the National Executive Committee, there will be an exchange of opinion on the program of the British Communist Party. He said that three copies of the program of the Communist Party of Great Britain are currently circulating in New York.

There is an Economic Commission at work on the theoretical aspects of the present economy in the United States.

JAMES JACKSON will have a draft report on the South at the next National Executive Committee meeting.

Various sub-committees are working on analytical outlines for the Communist Party - USA program, and these should be completed by June 1, 1958. These sub-committees study, do research and gather material. They use a mere fraction of this material and set forth ideas simply and briefly for the Party program.

According to DENNIS, the actual drafting of the Communist Party program will start at the end of November, 1958, and it will be completed by December 31, 1958. This draft Party program will be the main material for discussion in preparation for another convention, and the next National Convention of the Communist Party - USA will undoubtedly take place in May, 1959.

On the Completion of the National Executive Committee and the National Office Staff

DENNIS stated that the National Executive Committee will be completed at the next meeting of the National Committee. He said that he would like to have one or two District Organizers from the East on the National Executive Committee, and in this regard mentioned PAT TOOHEY, who replaced MARTHA STONE as Chairman of the New Jersey Communist Party District.

DENNIS stated that it is possible that the National Office will not have a Labor or Trade Union Secretary. He said that GEORGE MEYERS has not accepted the position as yet. As a result, they may set up a Labor Advisory Council in "The Worker". This Labor Advisory Council will be similar to a Trade Union or Labor Commission. However, the Party, instead of speaking on trade union matters through a Labor Secretary, will speak through the pages of "The Worker".

SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23488)

March 18, 1958

SA JOHN F. RUSSELL, JR.

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Source	Activity	Received	Agent	Location
CSLA 3880-S*, who has furnished reliable info in the past, and whose identity should be concealed.	Photographic copies of CP documents	3-1-58	[redacted] et al	[redacted] p.258

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CSLA 3880-S* is in close contact with HELEN AUGUST, who, according to the source, maintains some of the financial and membership records of the Southern California District, Communist Party, USA (SCDCP).

This is the writer's interpretation of the material furnished and, before any utilization of this information is made in reports or before any dissemination is made, the original photographs should be referred to.

Included in the material furnished by the informant was a dues payment breakdown for the Southern California District, a copy of which is attached.

① 100-1763 (Membership)

Attachment - 1

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-68)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)

SUBJECT: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT COMMUNIST PARTY
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Information from [redacted] discloses that as of the end of March only 16 Negro members had been reregistered in the current SDCDP 1958 registration. While there are undoubtedly some remaining Negro members to be registered, this would indicate a large percentage decrease in Negro membership, which numbered approximately 200 in this area two years ago.

- 3 - Bureau (AIR MAIL) (REGISTERED)
- 1 - San Francisco (INFO) (REGISTERED)
- ③ - Los Angeles (cc: 100-43372 - CINAL; 100-24345 - NEGRO QUESTION)

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(7) *[Signature]*

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SOURCE: [redacted] to SA H. R. OVERTON 4/15/58.

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SAC Brown *[Signature]*

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES

DATE: 4/29/58

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-92763)

SUBJECT: PETTIS PERRY
IS-C

Source of Information: NY 1704-S*
Characterization : Who has furnished reliable information
in the past.

On 4/2/58, NY 1704-S* advised that PETE (PERRY) contacted EUGENE DENNIS that date. PETE requested DENNIS to write to him, and also to send him some material with regard to the party statement on the banning of atomic tests.

Informant reported same date that ROSE (PERRY) spoke to PEGGY DENNIS. ROSE said that a couple of people, together with her husband, have a competition going to replace those who quit the party with new people. She added that "he got ten people already".

cc 3-Los Angeles

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- (ROSE PERRY)
- (CP Membership)
- (PETTIS PERRY)

3-New York

- 1- 100-8057 (EUGENE DENNIS)
- 1- 100-93796 (PEGGY DENNIS)
- 1- 100-92763

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SAC, LOS ANGELES

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-95704)

DOROTHY HEALY
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On 4/16/58, NY 2002-S*, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past, made available photographs of material located at CP, USA, National Headquarters, 23 West 26th Street, NYC. Included in this material, copies of which are attached hereto, was a letter from DOROTHY (HEALY) to BOB (THOMPSON) discussing among other things the present factional situation within the Southern California CP District and the fact that it will be considered good if the Southern California District can register 1,000 members.

The original negatives of these photographs are located in 100-4931-1A 709.

- 5 - Los Angeles (RM)
 - (1 - 100 CP SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA-
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 - (1 - 100 PATTUS PHERRY)
 - (1 - 100 CP SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA-
MEMBERSHIP)
- 1 - New York (100-27452) (BOB THOMPSON) (#19-1)
- 1 - New York (100-1696) (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN) (#19-1)
- 1 - New York (100-25857) (PAUL ROLESON) (#12-15)
- 1 - New York (100-95704)

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March 18, 1960

Dear Bob:

I delayed replying to your letter until after our District Council meeting in the hope that I would be able to give you a more accurate picture of the situation here. The meeting, however, recessed for the second time (two successive Sundays) without taking conclusive action; we have a fairly large body (around 50) and with most of the comrades wanting the floor and each getting 15 minutes we had to postpone for another session action on the motions.

All 5 of the NC members gave a report at the first session, with Don announcing at that meeting his resignation from the NC. The reactions, as you might expect, depend upon the particular identification with the general trends in the Party....

In typical centrist fashion I had hoped to avoid a "showdown" on the question of acceptance or rejection of the Dennis resolution. I had proposed a series of motions guiding the District's role. Both the comrades to the "right" of me and those to the "left" were furious and are pressuring for either one or the other action. Both Pete and I feel that such action will produce only a shambles here--but then, maybe we're only fooling ourselves and the shambles will come anyway.

We have a special Council meeting this Friday on the economic situation, with a subcommittee bringing in proposals (for this meeting we ordered 50 airmail copies of PA so that Hy's report would be available). I'll advise you of anything that develops.

Elizabeth has probably told you that we invited her for our May Day meeting, which will be under our own sponsorship.

I'm really exhausted--physically and emotionally. Between working like blazes trying to get the independent campaign off the ground, making the rounds of the Party organization, and fighting to stave off further walk-outs from the Party I've been going 7 days and nights a week. I could probably cope with the physical part--even with my middle-aged physique--but for all your national and NY friends left their droppings behind them here in LA, and for the first time in all this post-convention period, we have the character assassination and slander permeating the atmosphere. Strange, I thought I had acquired a thick skin in 15 years I spent in the labor movement and the years since '45 when I came into the Party leadership where I found being a woman was more of a handicap than in the trade union, but nothing prepared me for these last few months, and I guess my deepest exhaustion springs from watching us behave like lemmings.

On our registration: it will be complete Monday. If we reach a thousand it'll be good. And even then, the figures won't be accurate, as many who registered two months ago have or are planning to leave. This is also resulting in a financial crisis, and we may have to ask you comrades to arrange for Pete's salary directly, as we aren't collecting enough dues to deduct it at this end.

One bright note: the FW's 20 birthday mass meeting with Robeson was tremendous. A jammed hall (1300) and a fine program, with Paul

doing a superb job. But perhaps the most significant were the greetings to the Paper--from Frontier Magazine (organ of the liberal Democrats in the 11 western states) lawyers, a chain of neighborhood papers edited by a prominent Jewish community leader, etc.

Please convey to Gene my sympathy on his illness. Will he need surgery? As soon as I get an hour I'll drop Peggy and Gene a line.

As ever.

Dorothy

*Larry I delayed mailing this. Where
is Party Voice?*

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11889)

SUBJECT: CP ~~DISTRICT IS~~
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT
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DATE: 5/28/58

There is enclosed with this letter photographs #ML 2196 through ML 2201 as well as ML 2219 and ML 2220. Photographs ML 2219 and ML 2220 contain information relative to the CP membership in the Tulare and Fresno Counties of California for the year 1958, which area is covered by the Los Angeles office. These forms are maintained by ALBERT JASON (MICKEY) LIMA, Chairman of the Northern California CP District. Notice is taken that the Tulare and Fresno Counties of California are a part of the Northern California CP District over which LIMA has jurisdiction.

It has been the San Francisco office's experience that the county or section Organizational Secretaries completed these forms upon the completion of the CP membership registration so they could be forwarded to LIMA for the Northern California CP District organization's information. It is further noted that each individual registered and shown on this form is identified by age, sex, race, years in Party, industry in which employed, dues status, mass organization assignments and whether member is a "People's World" subscriber. Through live informants available the San Francisco office was able to identify the members registered in the San Francisco Division territory from information contained on forms similar to these.

Contained in photographs ML 2196 to ML 2201 is information showing DOROTHY HEALEY's 9-point program to the National CP Committee.

The information encompassed in the enclosed photographs was furnished to Agents of the San Francisco office by CS SF 2148-S* on April 7, 1958.

- 4 - Los Angeles (Encls. 8)
- 100-16828 (Fresno County CP Organization)
- 100-16827 (Tulare CP Organization)
- (DOROTHY HEALEY)
- (Southern California District, CP membership)
- 2 - San Francisco (100-11889)
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Note pls channels as needed cc forward to GROVES w/encl.

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CS SF 2148-S* is a highly confidential source close to the records and effects of ALBERT JASON (MICKEY) LIMA, Chairman of the Northern California District CP and has furnished reliable information in the past (documentation of this informant is unnecessary). The original photographs of the material received from CS SF 2148-S* on 4/7/58 are maintained in San Francisco bulky exhibit [REDACTED] b7D

The Los Angeles office is requested to make any photostats or copies of these photographs required for dissemination to their files after the necessary identifications have been made.

For the information of the Los Angeles office [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] will be contacted for the identities of CP members registered in Tulare and Fresno Counties which information appears on enclosed photographs. These identifications will be forwarded to the Los Angeles office under the individual's case file.

It is requested that the Los Angeles office contact their informants, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and furnish any identities as to the registered CP members contained on enclosed forms furnished by these informants. b7D

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TO : SAC, St. Louis (100-5238)
FROM : SA [redacted]
SUBJECT: SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY
ST. LOUIS DIVISION
IS - SWP

DATE: 6/4/58

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On May 19, 1958, [redacted] furnished the following statement personally: *Filed in* [redacted]

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"May 14th 1958

"I am turning over to you the following correspondence & literature received by mail_

"letter dated 4/22/58 from [redacted] Recd 4/25/58
letter dated 4/26/58 from [redacted] Recd 4/28/58
letter dated 4/21/58 from [redacted]
Recd 4/23/58
letter dated 4/28/58 from [redacted]
Recd 4/30/58
letter dated 4/29/58 from [redacted]
NO, NY Recd 5/6/58
Circular - Pioneer Publishers 'Negroes on the March'
Recd 5/5/58

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- 1 - SL 100-5238 (Instant)
- 1 - [redacted]
- ④ - Los Angeles (RM)
 - (1 - 100- [redacted] SWP)
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 - (1 - 100- [redacted] Counter Int Prog)
 - ① - 100- [redacted] CP Membership)
- 8 - San Francisco (RM)
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 - (1 - 100- [redacted])
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 - (1 - 100- [redacted] Counter Int Prog)
 - (1 - 100- [redacted] CP Membership)
 - (1 - 100- [redacted] A. Richmond)
 - (1 - 100- [redacted] SWP)

- 11 - New York (RM)
 - (100-16 SWP)
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"Circular - NY School of Social Science NY Recd 5/2/58
Circular - Soc Workers Party May Day Celebration NY
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Pamphlet Purchased from Pioneer Pub. 'Socialist
Election Policy in 1958' Recd 5/3/58"

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[redacted] also turned over the following exhibits which are listed above:

(1) Letter signed by TOM KERRY, "Organization Secretary" dated April 22, 1958 at New York, New York, directed "To All Locals and Branches." This letter reads as follows:

"Attached is a copy of a news report which deals with the present state of the Communist Party throughout the country.

Many of the observations in the attached report have been confirmed by reports we have received of defections which have occurred in the leadership and ranks of the CP following their recent national plenum.

The California comrades report that some 40 members of the CP have recently left, among them a number of prominent leaders. The following letter received from a friend inside the California CP organization throws some light on the conflict within the CP in California:"

"April 9, 1958

"SWP
77 Bradford St.
San Francisco, California

"Dear Comrades,

"Because of the stagnant conditions within the Communist Party there have been practically no noteworthy activities since I last wrote to you. Now it looks like the big break may be taking place. I think that the straw that broke this camel's back has been the Holland Roberts campaign. The CP is in the embarrassing position of being forced to support

a CP member who has joined forces with the SWP and has even allowed 'The Dirty Trotskyites' to serve on his campaign committee. Al Richmond said that it is an impossible situation for the CP to be in but they are forced to support Roberts or be forever branded as a 'do-nothing party.'

"To add to the confusion, three of the CP's brightest stars, Oleta Yates, Louise Lambert, and Loretta Stack, have turned in their resignations and are going to circulate a petition calling for other CP members to follow their example. They apparently plan to start some type of a discussion group which will be made up of former CP members. It remains to be seen just what will happen but it is a cinch that the loss of these three CP members will be a tremendous blow to the CP.

"I'll have to admit that your coup with Holland Roberts was a big and pleasant surprise even to me. It is great to be associated even though anonymously, with an organization with the initiative and 'know-how' to get things done.

"Comradely,

"A friend."

"If you have any information on similar developments about the CP in your locality, we would appreciate very much receiving such information as soon as possible to enable us to compile an accurate record of what has been happening inside the CP since the Foster group took over the organization at the last plenum of the Communist Party in February."

Attached to KERRY's letter is a reprint from an article appearing in the New York Post April 16, 1958 entitled "Secret Red Audit Reveals Only 3,000 Are Left - by TED POSTON." This article reads as follows:

"The Communist Party U.S.A. torn by internal dissension and riddled by mass resignations has plummeted to fewer than 3,000 dues paying members, an all-time low, The Post learned today.

"The drastic drop in membership--which John Gates, resigning Daily Worker editor had estimated last Jan. 10 at 'less than 7,000'--was revealed in a nation-wide 'self-audit' of party registration, ordered by the present Moscow-oriented leaders of the party.

"According to high sources within the party, the secret census revealed:

"The California Communist Party, which once supplied almost half of the national total membership, is practically non-existent today in the wake of the April 1 mass resignation of 26 of its most prominent leaders.

"The Brooklyn CP unit, which, with 10,000 dues payers, once almost rivaled the whole California membership, has been unable to register 1,000 present members. The 'audit' has just past 800 there.

"From these same sources, it was learned that The Worker, official CP weekend newspaper which succeeded the suppressed Daily Worker, last January, has reneged on its promise to make compromise lump sum payments totalling \$7,100 in severance pay to seven staff members who left before and after Gates. It is faced with the possibility of court action by the Newspaper Guild of New York if the resigned employees appeal to the union.

"The party leadership ironically, at a time when Negro membership is at the lowest ebb, is now dominated by four Moscow-oriented stalwarts, three of whom are Negroes.

"The present crisis of disintegration has developed rapidly since Gates and other supporters of a line 'independent' from Moscow domination were practically forced out by the William Z. Foster faction in January. But the breakup had begun long before that.

"Last October, three of the Daily Worker's most skilled staff members quit the paper, and ceased active party participation on an understanding that they would be paid full severance pay, up to six months salary, according to the Guild contract.

"They were Herbert Singer, city labor reporter; Robert Friedman, rewrite and makeup man, and Sally Kantor of the business office. None has yet received the promised severance pay. A lump sum payment of half that amount was finally agreed upon as a compromise, but it has not been paid either.

"Then in February, four of the Daily Worker's best known writers followed Gates away from the paper under an agreement negotiated in bitterness, by which they would have received three months' salary as severance pay instead of the six months' pay they sought.

"These were Alan Max, satirical columnist and editorial writer; Lester Rodney, sports and feature writer; Abner W. Berry, columnist, editorialist, reporter and City Desk man; and Max Gordon, city and state affairs reporter.

"Of the seven ex-Worker staff members, six have withdrawn from all party activity upon leaving the Daily Worker, this newspaper learned; the seventh supports them in demands for the \$7,100 lump sum payments.

"The week-end Worker, officially run by William L. Patterson but directed in actuality by Benjamin J. Davis, former City Councilman, has pleaded inability to make a lump sum payment, but has reduced the total due to \$4,600 through payments to individuals ranging from \$350 to \$900.

"The group met recently, The Post learned, and discussed the possibility of filing a complaint with the Newspaper Guild unless the full amount of the compromise agreement is paid.

"Much of the resentment of this group--and of several other workers whose paydays have been skipped but who have remained in the party--is a wide spread belief that the Communist Party still has hundreds of thousands of dollars in cash which could be used to meet such current expenses.

"Much of this money was raised and put in the hands of trusted individuals, they contend, while several Communists convicted under the Smith Act were fugitives hiding out here and in other countries.

"'One man alone,' one of these critics charged recently, 'had \$200,000 in cash. This money has not been returned for regular purposes. Another had \$30,000.'

"The most immediately available cash, they contend, is held by the Brooklyn unit of the party which is believed to have \$150,000. This unit is controlled by Charles Lowman, one of the three Negroes now believed dominant in control of the party.

"The others are Davis and James E. Jackson, Jr., the party's top Southern organizer, who skipped bail after his Smith Act conviction in 1951 as a second string Communist leader, but who surrendered to Justice Dept. officials here in 1955.

"Technically, Foster is the titular leader of the completely dominant pro-Moscow faction in the party. But, insiders say the real power is being wielded now by Davis, Jackson, Lowman and Eugene Dennis, who was once Party Secretary.

"'Any one who challenges any decision of this group,' one dissident said, 'is immediately branded as a "white chauvinist" and automatically discredited. Davis used this tactic on Gates in the Daily Worker fight and it is even more effective today.'

"Patterson, who directs the Worker, is a veteran Negro Communist. With Davis 'advising' he is in practically complete charge of the paper since Si Gerson, who was once appointed executive editor to 'ride herd' on the dissident Gates, and A. B. Magil, the foreign editor who succeeded the resigning Joe Clark, left the Worker on March 15.

"Although neither Gerson nor Magil has been active recently, neither is believed to have quit the party.

"The heaviest loss in party membership, however, followed the mass resignation April 1 of 26 California leaders, several of whom are still fighting Smith Act convictions.

"They included Oleta Yates O'Connor, Frank Carlson, Louise Todd, Donald Wheeldin of the People's World, Official West Coast CP organ, and Celeste Strack, once regarded as the party's most brilliant political scientist.

"Although there was no visible connection between Gates and these West Coast leaders, they also demanded more 'independence' on the part of American Communists and less domination by Moscow.

"Similar mass defections of party members were reported by the 'audit' in Minnesota and Illinois, the third and fourth strongest bastions of the party."

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(2) Letter dated April 26, 1958 sent to the St. Louis Branch SWP signed "C. FARR." This acknowledges receipt of \$28 for the Socialist Expansion Fund. Attached to this is another receipt signed "N.O. Socialist Workers Party, C. FARR" for \$47.50 dated April 25, 1958. This is broken down into \$28.00 for the Expansion Fund, \$15.00 for the Sustainer Fund, and \$4.50 for dues.

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(3) Letter directed to All Locals and Branches dated April 21, 1958 from New York, New York and signed "B. ALLEN, Business Manager." The letter states that the May Day issue of "The Militant" will feature the "Need for a Socialist America." It will also carry a roundup of Socialist Election Campaigns, articles on the economic picture, and the "Struggle Against War." Orders for extra copies must be in by April 24.

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(4) Letter signed by DANIEL ROBERTS, "Editor", dated April 28, 1958 on letterhead of "The Militant" directed to All Locals and Branches. The letter asks that each branch keep "The Militant" apprised of "any activity by union bodies throughout the country pertaining to unemployment."

The letter further states that the May 19th issue

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will be entitled "The Face of American Capitalism -- And of Its Victims."

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(5) Letter dated April 29, 1958 directed to All Literature Agents, captioned "Display Methods -- Free Literature" signed by ANNE CHESTER for Pioneer Publishers. The letter suggests that display racks be build to show certain books. Miss CHESTER states that the recession has revived the value of the 1945 plant pamphlet "Jobs For All" by ART PREIS. Miss CHESTER suggests that the pamphlet be used in regroupment work, electioneering, and in duscussing unemployment conditions. An order blank is attached.

Enclosed with this letter is a flyer advertising "Negroes on the March" by DANIEL GUERIN, "The Struggle for Negro Equality" by JOHN SAUNDERS and ALBERT PARKER, "The Class Struggle Road to Negro Equality - resolution adopted by the Socialist Workers Party", and "The Santana Case, Tragedy of a Puerto Rican Youth" by JOYCE COWLEY. This literature can be ordered from Pioneer Publishers, 116 University Place, New York 3, New York.

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(6) Flyer announcing the annual spring bazaar May 17 (1958) at 116 University Place, New York 3, New York, under the auspices of the New York School of Social Science.

Received with this was a flyer announcing a May Day Celebration, May 3, (1958) which features JOSEPH HANSEN, Editor, "The International Socialist Review" and NORA ROBERTS, Member of the Young Socialist Alliance, as speakers.

Both of these flyers are filed in

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(7) Pamphlet by JAMES P. CANNON entitled "Socialist Election Policy in 1958."

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :SAC, BOSTON (100-18969)

DATE: June 25, 1958

FROM :SA [redacted]

SUBJECT:CP, NORTH SHORE
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FBI - LOS ANGELES
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From: [redacted]

Concealment and Reliability: T, who has furnished reliable information in the past.

Date and Description: [redacted]

Date Received: 5/29/58

Received by: SA [redacted]

Location: [redacted]

In view of the sensitivity of this informant, the utmost care must be utilized to carefully paraphrase this information prior to dissemination in order to protect the identity of this informant.

Informant's written report, dated May 25, 1958, follows:

- cc: ① - Los Angeles (100-) (CP, Membership) (RM)
- 1 - Los Angeles (100-) (CP, Factionalism) (RM)
- 1 - New York (100-16021) (ARNOLD JOHNSON) (#19-1) (RM)
- 1 - New York (100-8057) (EUGENE DENNIS) (#19-1) (RM)
- 1 - New York (100-27452) [redacted] (#19-1) (RM)
- 1 - New York (100-87211) (CP, USA, Factionalism) (#19-1) (RM)
- 1 - New York (100-80638) (CP, USA, Membership) (#19-1) (RM)
- 1 - New York (100-80641) (CP, USA, Organization) (#19-1) (RM)
- 1 - New York (100-) (CP, USA, Political Activities) (#19-1) (RM)
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"A colored man entered [redacted] on the first floor when we entered the house.

"Points on the agenda to be discussed were: Sane Committee Political Action, Minority Report, Report by BOB GOODWIN on the Eastern Seaboard Conference, Election.

"On the same committee BOB and MILLIE GOODWIN reported that JIM BOLEN had not yet seen Rev. WESTON and others to approach them on working to have advertisement run in a Lynn paper for the Sane Committee on Nuclear Policy.

"VIC PIEPARSKI was supposed to give a report on Political Action but was not prepared. He merely stated that various issues would come up as the election time became closer.

"We all agreed that we should be alert to issues like unemployment benefits, sales tax, withholding tax, etc. and taking advantage of these to notify the voters. On the minority report we voted in favor of the majority report with the exception of MILLIE GOODWIN who abstained, not having read the minority report and LOU GORDON who voted for the minority report.

"BOB GOODWIN said that it is the first time since the convention that the National Committee can proceed to work now that a vote has been taken.

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"BOB gave a report on the Eastern Seaboard Conference at which he, MIKE RUSSO and LOU JOHNSON attended.

"BOB said that ARNOLD JOHNSON had spoken at the conference and said that the depression and work for peace are the most important activities.

"BOB said that Saturday afternoon was given to political action and that ARNOLD JOHNSON had said that the work of comrades in the Democratic Party was not just building the Democratic Party but to work toward gaining an anti-monopoly colition within the Democratic Party.

"BOB said that ARNOLD JOHNSON explained that in working on issues pertaining to the depression we should work with the same anti-monopoly colition in mind. He also told of working for Negro rights, civil liberties, etc.

"BOB said that Sunday the conference was devoted to conditions within the Communist Party. BOB said that BOB THOMPSON was to speak and participate and did attend for a while but did not feel well enough to participate. BOB attributed his illness to a head injury. DENNIS took over in THOMPSON's place.

"BOB reported that in the 4th district in Pennsylvania (I think BOB said Philadelphia area) the Party members have been able to work in both the Democratic and Republican Parties and have been successful in getting a Negro candidate on the ballott in both parties.

"BOB said that DENNIS had said that we should work to get Negro and labor candidates on the ballott and elected.

"BOB reported that DENNIS had reported a registration of 900 industrial members in New York with an additional nine new members. DENNIS said that there are 6000 paying dues members in

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the country. He also said that the sale of 'Political Affairs' runs between 7000 and 8500. BOB said that DENNIS said that by the end of the year we should have 10,000 paying members.

"According to BOB DENNIS had said that we should get as many old members back into the Party as possible and also keep in close touch with unemployed people.

"He said that DENNIS had told of how 26 people in Southern California had left the party as a group and had given out damaging statements against the party. He said that members in northern California had repudiated these 26 people.

"He also told how DENNIS had said that 60 people in New York had thought of leaving the party because the party was not revolutionary enough but decided to stay.

"He said that DENNIS reported that in June, 1957 we had 9500 Worker subs and that now we have 12,000.

"BOB reported that INGERSOLL of the Socialist Labor Party had been to see them and had explained that they had to hold a meeting in order to stay on the ballot and wished BOB and others to attend to help them do this.

"We discussed whether we should support the Socialist Labor Party in this and decided we should.

"MILLIE said that she thought only member of the Communist Party who are known should attend this meeting at the INGERSOLLS' on Thursday, May 22. She did not think the PIPERS or LOU GORDON should attend:

"BOB said he did not think we should meet at the PIPERS in Beverly because of security reasons as both CHARLIE and ELSIE are working in the Democratic Party. We decided to hold our next meeting at the Russian Club hall on Northend Street, Peabody on Monday, June 2.

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"After some conversation between ELSIE and BOB regarding JAKE FINKLE telling BOB how his stepson RALPH ZALKIN was being investigated because the FINKLES had given \$10.00 which was used to support 'Daily Worker,' BOB said that undoubtedly the F.B.I. has some information on the PIPERS but as there have been no 'stooges' on the North Shore they can not prove it.

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TO : SAC, BOSTON (100-18969)

DATE: June 12, 1958

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"Points under discussion were:

The Sane Committee - Political Action
The Minority Report given by CARL WINTER & LIGHTFOOT
at the N. E. C. which we've waited so long for.
A Report by BOB on the Eastern Seaboard Conference
N. Y. May 17 & 18
Election of Chairman and delegates to D. C.

"On The Political Action - VIC PIECARSKI was supposed to speak - But he stated he didn't feel prepared.

"The question of the Sane Committee on Nuclear Policy was raised - MILLIE reported we hadn't done anything on that as yet - JIM BOLLEN was supposed to get in touch with HUGH WESTON and JIM hadn't been able to see him. (REV. HUGH WESTON). BOBBIE wanted to know if we'd all seen the add our people in Gloucester had gotten into the paper down there. These had been shown us at a previous meeting at BOB's.

"On the Minority Report - We all affirmed our original vote for the Majority Report with the exception of MILLIE who abstained because she hadn't read the Minority Report and LOU GORDON who voted in favor of the Minority Report.

"BOB stated again he was in favor of the Majority Report because its a step in the right direction. We can finally get down to work. And also because its the first time since the convention that some real concrete action has been taken by the Nat. Committee. He said the thing we had to be careful about was going all out for one side or the other. But he accepted the Majority Report on the basis that now we could get down to work.

"Lou's objection was that the Dennis Report - i.e. Majority Report - upset the direction of the Convention and put us back where we were before it. Saying the Convention had tried to seek a way out of our isolation and he thought the Majority Report reversed Convention decisions."

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"BOB gave a report on the Eastern Seaboard Conference - Saying on Sat. May 17 - ARNOLD JOHNSON had been the speaker - stressing our two most important activities now were the Depression and the question of Peace:

"BOB stated that Sat. was given over to discussing Political Action. That ARNOLD JOHNSON had stated that for those of us in the Democratic Party our main task was not building the Democratic Party - but rather to build an Anti-Monopoly - coalition within the Dem. Party. This he directed to ELSIE & CHARLIE PIPER who are members of the Dem. Party. I believe CHARLIE is on the City Committee in the city where he lives.

"BOB also stated that A. JOHNSON said that in working on the Depression and the question of peace we would be building an anti-monopoly-coalition. Also following out of this work would be working for Negro rights - Civil Liberties, etc.

"BOB reported that Sun. May 18 was given over to discussing conditions within the C. Party itself. He reported that BOB THOMPSON was to be the main speaker - but couldn't as he was still having trouble with his head from a fall (?) So DENNIS had pinch-hit for THOMPSON.

"BOB reported that DENNIS had reported that in the 4th district of Penn. where we had people in both the Republican & Democratic organizations we had been able to get Negro candidates in both Parties to run for election. Also in the first district of Michigan some of our Democratic Party people had been able to get support for a Negro candidate. That in Penn. in particular our people were doing a good job. Wherever we could in the Political Field we should push for Negro and labor candidates.

"BOB said DENNIS reported on registration - we had 900 Industrial Workers registered in N. Y. and had registered 9 new ones. That registration should take place on a year round basis. We should try to get as many people back into the party as possible and also try to get new members wherever possible. We should try to keep track of and get acquainted with as many unemployed persons in our area as possible."

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"He said DENNIS reported 26 members in Southern California had left the party. MICKY LIMA of Nt. Calif. who had been associated with the rt had led the Nt. Californians in repudiating the 26 from Southern California.

"Also DENNIS reported that 60 ultra-left Party members in N.Y. were going to leave because they didn't think the party was revolutionary enough but had decided to stay at this time.

"He also said that DENNIS had reported on the status of the Worker. That in June of 1957 we had 9,500 subs - we now had 12,000 as of May 1958 we still needed to do more work on the Sub drive. That N.E. hadn't done as much as we should - He reported that in Chicago they were doing a good job on the Worker Drive.

"Around Political Action BOB reported that Ingersol of the Socialist Labor Party had been to see him and asked for his support in keeping them on the ballot. That there was to be a meeting at Ingersol's on Thursday May 22, 1958 and Ingersol wanted to be honest in reporting the no. of people giving them support at this meeting - he wouldn't report any names - just the no. of people in attendance. He (BOB) wanted to know if we wanted to support them. He thought we should - that we should help because it was a minority group and we should help keep them on the ballot. MILLIE said she thought only known party people should be involved. She didn't think LOU whom they don't know and the PIPERS should attend - only those people the S.L.P. knew were Communists should attend.

"There was some discussion on this - VIC wanted to know how we felt about supporting someone who attacked the Soviet Union as they had in the past. NICK DENESUK had questions about their programm. ELSIE said she'd like to know what their proposed programm was before she lent her support - she knew what it had been in the past.

"MILLIE said she thought we should support them because they were a minority group. CHARLIE thought they should support them.

"LOU raised the question of supporting them just because they were a minority."

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"BOB clarified it a little saying it was a situation somewhat like our not supporting all Smith Act Victims in the beginning - then later being faced with it ourself. He thought we should support them not just because they were a minority, but because they were (up till now) on the ballot. They were subject to the same pressures we were ourselves. Told that INGERSOL's son had been questioned too. But also that it is our policy to work with all Socialist Groups and this might be the means of working with them and getting their support later on something.

"It was put to a vote all in favor of some people going to the meeting Thurs. night to help them stay on the ballot. With the exception of ELSIE who made the comment, since she didn't have to go anyway she was voting against this support of (S.L.P.) just on the basis of their past programmes.

"We all had tea or coffee. BOB also reported that DENNIS had said it should be our policy from now on to defend the Party against all attacks. Whether they came from Ex-Party people or otherwise. But we should defend it against all attacks no matter where they came from.

"We asked BOB who gave the report from N.E. He said he did - He didn't have too much to report tho - VIC asked if just he & MIKE went down. BOB said no there were three - Himself, MIKE & LOU JOHNSON.

"On the next meeting - the question of place came up. BOB said he didn't think they should go to the PIPERS' as JACK had told it was known that they (FINKLES) attended a party in Beverly.

"ELSIE said to BOB - you know that conversation we had - I can't ever remember RALPH being at my house. BOB said not RALPH - the FINKLES - ELSIE said she had misunderstood him (BOB) She said she remembered the party for JAKE and also that at that party they had invited RALPH and at the time Mrs. FINKLE had told several people that night that RALPH hadn't been able to come because the airforce was investigating him. She recalled that at about that time RALPH had wanted some shingles repaired on the house he bought and had asked CHARLIE to do it. They had talked it over and decided if RALPH was being investigated by the airforce they didn't want anything to do with him. Also at about the same time Mrs. FINKLE was after CHARLIE to paint the trim on her house and she (ELSIE) had tried to ring BOB & VIC in on the job because she felt that if CHARLIE should do it they could safely do it too - The result was no one did it."

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"BOB said probably the F.B.I. had some information on the PIPERS but no proof as we hadn't had a stooge on the North Shore. Since the PIPERS were becoming active in the Dem. Party - he didn't think we should hold meetings at their house. Also because CHARLIE was in a union and it could mean his job. MILLIE made the comment - that what they (F.B.I.) did was usually get someone in your neighborhood to keep watch on your house. And she didn't think it good to have company of all ages coming to the house the way they did. Also she didn't think they should attend so many Boston affairs - especially CHARLIE.

"On holding elections - which VIC suggested for a new Chairman and possibly delegate to the D. C. - this was put over for another meeting.

"Around the business of security. This was the reason they questioned allowing JAKE FINKLE back into the party. BOB saying that he'd (JAKE) have to let SARAH know whenever he went to a meeting and where it was. They didn't want to be in a position like that where Mrs. FINKLE would know too much of what was going on. Everyone agreed we shouldn't do anything about it until SAUL FISHER came back. NICK DENESUK thought he'd be staying a month longer than he had planned.

"NICK said Mrs. FINKLE had asked him how ELSIE knew that RALPH had taken her to Revere the day of SAUL FISHER's Party. He said he had told her - JAKE had told them all when he got in the car with them.

"Later I overheard NICK tell MILLIE that he stopped at the FINKLES and they had told him the reason JAKE wanted to come back to the party was because we had some spies around here. SARAH thought they were ELSIE and CHARLIE because how did ELSIE know RALPH took her to Revere. NICK said 'I told her she was crazy. JAKE had told me all where she was, how she got there and that she'd already be at SAULS party when we got there'."

All necessary action has been taken with respect to information furnished above.

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AIR MAIL REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)

RE: CP, USA, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT;
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[redacted] advises that CHARLENE MITCHELL, Administrative section, SDCP, reported on June 8th that the maximum membership in Los Angeles County is 924 members plus about fifty members in outlying counties within the Southern California District. MITCHELL reported the registration which started last December is still not complete in some areas.

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[redacted] advises that in one section SCDCP the Party is looking for long-time and trusted comrades to contact former CP members who have dropped from membership in an effort to reactivate these persons. This contact program will not include persons who left the Party under a cloud but only those who left voluntarily because of disillusionment.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69)

DATE: 6/27/58

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-80641)

SUBJECT: CP, USA - ORGANIZATION
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On 6/4/58, NY 2179-S* advised that a meeting was held on the above date in the third floor board room, CP Headquarters, 23 West 26th Street, NYC. According to informant, those in attendance were BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, JR., JACK STACHEL, WILLIAM WEINSTONE and V. J. JEROME. The discussion pertained primarily to the Jewish question.

Informant advised that BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, JR., opened the meeting by reading a letter dated 5/27/58 from Los Angeles, California, from ELIZABETH (GURLEY FLYNN) which letter DAVIS stated was addressed to JACK (STACHEL?). According to the informant, ELIZABETH's letter stated as follows:

"I" have written to you about some of the problems here (California) relating to the Jewish question. It is a constant topic of discussion wherever our "Jewish comrades" and friends gather. Some have "left the Party..." ELIZABETH indicated that she was not too informed on the Jewish question and said that she had met with MAX STEINBERG (ph). He (STEINBERG) is in the unhappy position of a "retired leader" and is not readily accepted here.

Continuing, informant advised that the letter referred to some sort of a fund drive which was held simultaneously with the "People's World" drive which made it hard and "almost disastrous" to both our Party groups. The letter stated that there were some 500,000 Jewish population in Los Angeles and "our people are largely elderly, retired from our (Party?) and not able to work outside in --- leadership." ELIZABETH stated in her letter that the Jewish question upsets them and "we" must find a way to deal with them. How? "I" am not prepared to say. I hope you are well enough to deal with it. MAX (STEINBERG?) (ph) says that one editorial is not enough, although it stirred up quite a (birds nest?). There must be a continuing campaign on the subject. Apparently, NOVICK (ph) (possibly PAUL NOVICK, Editor of "Morning Freiheit") did not "allay the fears and doubts...of our Jewish comrades." MAX

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wanted me to say to you "they will separate the paper away from the Party." He (STEINBERG?) said the situation is more dangerous than the (Daily) Worker with (JOHN) GATES. "I" felt I should write to you about it.

ELIZABETH stated that there is a Jewish Commission here headed by a (Doctor?) (ph). "I" have not met him although "our comrades" speak well of him. He (the doctor?) and MAX (STEINBERG?) have had "head on collisions on this question." A very "level-headed" woman, SADIE DU BROWSKY (ph), who used to be with the IWO, is in charge of the -----.

Continuing, the letter stated "our Party is down to about 1,000." They are hoping to register that many. "I" wrote to GENE (DENNIS) of my interview with ANNA LOUISE STRONG (ph) who had some --- ideas on the Jewish question in the Soviet Union. "They (Soviet Union?) have their problems and are probably not aware of the impact that it involves here. If you can get some authoritative statement or a report to me from there (National Office?) it would help."

Informant advised that ELIZABETH closed her letter by stating that she would return to New York about 6/9/58, and would probably stop off in Chicago first.

Remarks of BEN DAVIS

Well, shall we have some discussion on this?
Who wants the floor?

Remarks of WILLIAM WEINSTONE

According to the informant, WEINSTONE commented that they should not limit their discussions just to this "Commission" that they set up but should involve working class elements.....

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Remarks of BEN DAVIS

It seems to me that it might be advisable to inform various -- in the Party that the NEC, the Resident Committee, has set up a subcommittee which is functioning and which is attempting to make order out of chaos in order to get to the basic issues involved in the Party position on the Jewish question. At least to create the impression that the "national citadel" is not just sitting on its hands regarding a very big ideological field of dispute.

Remarks of JACK STACHEL

STACHEL remarked that the comrades in the Party want to be assured.

Remarks of V. J. JEROME

Informant advised that JEROME then read excerpts from a book by LEVY regarding the Jewish situation in the Soviet Union. (It is believed that JEROME is referring to the book by Professor HYMAN LEVY entitled "The Jews and the Nationality Question".)

Remarks of WILLIAM WEINSTONE

"I" think JERRY (JEROME) did a service in first outlining LEVY's book for us because "I" did not have a chance to read it. WEINSTONE commented on the question of Jewish culture. It (believed referring to LEVY's book) deals with the question...it does not deal with the problems...it is too summary? He indicated that the question of culture has to be recognized as a substantial problem. He stated that in his opinion there remains certain problems in the Soviet...and that is the question of the publication of Yiddish? He commented that if as the language of Russian Jews is Russian ---as the language of the American Jews is English, there are still writers...that want to see their work published, even the small ones.

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Continuing, WEINSTONE commented, and referred to LENIN, that the Jews have the right to express themselves in their own language. They have a right to types of organizations in which they can meet their necessary needs. But in regard to the question of other types of organizations, says LENIN in his article whether or not the Jews shall have an independent party, he (LENIN?) warns against anything which tends...away from the Russian proletariat... Continuing, WEINSTONE commented that any national organization in his opinion has to be settled upon the very practical considerations of whether it is helpful to the general unification process in the interest of internationalism.

WEINSTONE commented that in the past 40 years, a basic change has taken place in the Soviet Union as it has taken place in the United States in regard to language. Informant advised that he then referred to a publication called "Advance" which he said was published formerly in English and Yiddish but today is only published in English. He stated that at one time the ILGWU published its magazine in Yiddish and English while today it is published only in English. Informant advised that at this point JACK STACHEL interrupted WEINSTONE by commenting that it is also published in Italian and Spanish but not Yiddish.

Continuing, WEINSTONE referred to a remark made by DUBINSKY (ph) (believed referring to DAVID DUBINSKY, President of the ILGWU) who said "You know I am Jewish but we are not a culture institution. We are a trade union." WEINSTONE commented that he (DUBINSKY) recognized that predominantly the Jewish workers in the ILGWU are reading English. He said one must recognize the changes that are taking place in the United States among the Jews... the predominant language is English. If there is a desire and need for expression in Yiddish, "we" should encourage it by all means. He said that in his opinion this was not essential except in as far as the Jewish have the right to express themselves culturally in the language which they desire.

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"I" think that our concern with it shall not become a weapon of struggle against the Soviet Union...and it shall not surmount tremendous achievements which the Jews have made in the Soviet Union.

Remarks of JACK STACHEL

STACHEL stated that the most important thing is that any Socialist...has to defend the Soviet Union against every enemy -- open or concealed...whether it is anyone in our own ranks... The Soviet Union follows a policy of complete integration...as against the United States where in the Navy or certain other agencies or in utilities you can hardly find a Jew. He asked "why is this permissible..."

Remarks of BEN DAVIS

DAVIS commented that whatever he says on the subject is subject to the handicap of not reading the review and also of not reading LEVY's book. Whatever "I" say will be subject to reconsideration after reading both the review and the book. "I" would say that the combination of WILL's (WEINSTONE) and JACK's (STACHEL) reports coupled with JERRY's (JEROME) rather bold criticism would be a rounded out picture. According to the informant, DAVIS opened his remarks by referring to the question of revisionism with respect to the Jewish question. He stated "we" cannot any more prescribe limitations to the Party on what the Soviet Union does any more than what "we" do. "We" have to find a way to defend the position of the Soviet Union and its basic role... He indicated that "we" have to compete in "ideals" as well as in programs and in actions with people, irrespective of particular relationship to the Party. He stated that "we" have a kind of responsibility of competition greater than they ever had before. DAVIS indicated that LEVY? does not understand that these mistakes and "injustices",

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as gross as they were, were departures from Marxism and Socialism... and in this way he adopts the same bourgeoisie attitude. DAVIS further remarked that the Soviet Union was continually building the process of Socialism...

He said that they (the Soviet Union?) should do something also on the "women question." "I" think the Soviet is going to get around to that...they are now going through a process where they are examining the whole question of Jewish culture... DAVIS concluded his remarks by indicating that there should be more discussion in order to develop a proper position.

Remarks of JACK STACHEL

STACHEL commented that they should have another meeting in order to get everyone's viewpoint.

Remarks of BEN DAVIS

DAVIS indicated that the Party needs to develop a Party position and indicated that it was not enough just to have NOVICK (PAUL NOVICK) to give a report on his trip.

Remarks of WILLIAM WEINSTONE

"I" propose that as a result of this committee "we" set up a subcommittee. He indicated this subcommittee would consist of possibly three people mentioning two names JERRY (JEROME) and PAUL (NOVICK?).

Remarks of BEN DAVIS

So ask PAUL? to present to us the next time what he considers the most important problems...

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Remarks of JACK STACHEL

The way "I" see it on Israel----Soviet Union
"we" will have to establish a policy---

Remarks of BEN DAVIS

"I" would suggest that at the next meeting
PAUL (NOVICK?) come -- and all the rest... "I" am
very much against setting up a committee composed of (MORRIS?)
SCHAPPES (ph) and PAUL (NOVICK?) and WILL (WEINSTONE?)
or somebody... The next time "I" think we need to go
into more discussion.

Remarks of WILLIAM WEINSTONE

WEINSTONE commented that the next meeting
possible Thursday or Friday (6/6/58) they have a
luncheon and sit around and discuss it. "We" all
agree that PAUL (NOVICK?) is going to make a report
on the progress but "we" ought to give some direction
to the work so maybe we can have another session.

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"OTIS HOOD was Chairman. A tentative agenda was set up as follows: Report from the Eastern Seaboard Conference; Question of Peace, and a Report from the New Bedford area. Report from the Eastern Seaboard Conference was in two parts, (1) Party Consolidation; (2) Elections.

"LEW JOHNSON gave the report on the Eastern Seaboard Conference. This was by consent of the other two delegates who attended, BOB GOODWIN and MIKE RUSSO. They had picked LEW to give the report. LEW JOHNSON at this time spoke on the part of the Conference that had to do with Elections.

"He reported that at the Eastern Seaboard Conference it was stated that the matter of Peace warranted our most important activity and concern. He said that there were certain remnants of factionalism in existence at the Seaboard Conference, but that altogether the situation was more optimistic than it had been. He said the report given by DENNIS at the Eastern Seaboard Conference brought out that the two main issues that the Party

"would have to concern itself with were unemployment and the question of peace, including among other things the banning of the H bomb.

"Continuing, LEW JOHNSON reported that in New Jersey there was a split within the Democratic Party, and that in New York there had been an attack on Representative POWELL. He said that EUGENE DENNIS projected the idea at the Conference of the negro people having their own party, and that according to DENNIS it would be necessary for us to develop an anti-monopoly peoples coalition based on labor within the present two party setup, keeping in mind eventually the possibility of building a third party from this anti-monopoly coalition. He said that our work within a political organization, such as the Democratic or the Republican Party-- that we have comrades within both groups -- should be directed toward developing the contradiction between labor and monopoly. LEW reported that BOB THOMPSON was supposed to give the speech, but because of his absence as the result of illness, DENNIS spoke in his place.

"LEW reported that in New York in the Manhattan area they had 600 industrial workers in the Party.

"When LEW was through giving his report, the other delegates were asked to comment and add to it.

"BOBBIE spoke next. He reported that the new thing that developed at that Conference was our role in the Democratic Party. He said it was a different role, that we say the same thing only in a different way. He stated that we had to conscientiously force the realignment of a new party and push issues to force a new alignment within the Democratic Party. He said also that the left had clarified its position in regard to elections -- that is, the Socialist ticket. He brought out the fact that the Trotskyites had been able to influence some of the 'National Guardian' readers in regard to a united Socialist front.

"BOB said that this was a diversionary tactic on the part of the Socialist Workers Party and it was recognized as such by the Trotskyites. GOODWIN reported that we should get in wherever possible and work with them, that we should fight in the left for our own position instead of letting the Trotskyites take over by default. He

"repeated that what we have to do is to get in there and fight for our own position within the left.

"GOODWIN said that STEVE NELSON had reported at the Conference that he had been invited to sit in with the Socialist Workers Party for a discussion but that he had not gone. NELSON said that later he was invited to attend a meeting of nine steel workers from the Socialist Workers Party and because they were steel workers NELSON attended this meeting. NELSON reported that in discussing different issues with the nine steel workers they felt that STEVE's position on the Soviet question was better."

(Although not specifically mentioned, Informant gained the impression that this meeting was held in New York.)

"RUSSO was asked to comment. RUSSO said that because the report given by DENNIS at the Conference had been read, he asked DENNIS whether it was DENNIS' report or BOB THOMPSON's report. He said that DENNIS became a bit flustered over the question and did not answer. MIKE said he would have to challenge DENNIS' report in its over-all leftist impetus. He stated it was a departure from the coalition concept developed at the Sixteenth Convention and that it did not really examine possibilities of realignment. MIKE said that in so far as he was concerned, labor was still developing its influence. He believed, too, that unemployment and peace were going to be very important issues and sufficient to confine ourselves to. He felt that it was a degeneration of the policy of getting ourselves out of isolation that they had tried to develop at the Sixteenth Convention, and that DENNIS' report was really the old way of doing things.

"JOHN HOVAN made the comment that the United States is not recognized by the masses in the country as an imperialist country. He said there are a lot of labor candidates who sold themselves out and that some of the undue influence on these candidates was the result of our not working within the Democratic Party.

"'HANK' reported that as a result of talking to people in his union he felt that there was a growing possibility that they are recognizing the United States as an imperialist country because of their lack of resentment regarding the action against NIXON in South America.

"He also said that part of our job was to get workers in the Democratic Party and to encourage all labor candidates.

"ELSIE, in commenting in particular on DENNIS' projection of the possibility of a negro party as a third party, stated in contemplating anything like that you were faced with first resolving the problem wherein you have northern negroes who refuse to be identified with southern negroes, and East Indian negroes who do not want to be identified with either of the other two groups. She said that even though the three groups are faced with the same problem, you are still faced with this division. She said this was real segregation which they have created for themselves, and asked the question, 'Wouldn't it be much better to unify the differences before we start talking about a negro party?'.

"OTIS HOOD said he felt there were definite classes within the negro population. He wanted to know what basis or ground they had for a negro led third party, and whether the negro people themselves had created such an idea. He said we should find out if this was something the negro people wanted.

"BEN LANDEY made the comment that the negro people were not content with the slow legislation taking place for their rights, especially the negro youth, and that there was a growing Muslim movement, particularly in New York. ANNE, sitting next to ELSIE at the time, commented aside that this was a very dangerous movement, this Muslim movement.

"BEN said he felt that the question of imperialism was something that the average individual in the United States did not have a clear concept of. He said in the South and within the NAACP the negro movement was taking on the characteristics of a Ghandi movement of passive resistance. LANDEY also thought that in DENNIS' report the need that was not considered was the role of the individual Communist member. He said that this was something we all had to face, our role as individual members. He said that there were very few of us who weren't known as Communists in our neighborhood and he gave himself as an example. He said he was not trying to pat himself on the back, but in the town of Sharon where he was known as a

"Communist, he was very active in Boy Scouts and also very active in the Little League. He said it was very gratifying to know that some of the mothers in town were very happy when their sons got on the team of which he was in charge. He stated that regardless of his political leanings they knew that their boys would be under a very fair coach and were always very happy when they got on his team. In organizations within the town, even though people knew the way the LANDEYS felt, knew they had been called before the Commission, they were being accepted as individuals. He said that we had to stand up and say to people, 'I believe in socialism,' and then tell them why. He repeated that he felt that in DENNIS' report there was a lack of discussion of the role of the individual member.

"ANNE commented that regardless of all the differences of opinion about the Conference, we had to admit there was some unanimity around the issue of peace. She said we should also recognize the fact that there had been some progress made on the issue of unemployment. She mentioned that in Boston there has been a stand taken on banning the H bomb tests and that some of the comrades had a hand in backing this stand. She said it was only within the unions that there had been no stand taken on peace and the banning of H bomb tests. She also announced that on June 11, 1958, the Boston people are going to have a conference where these things could be discussed more fully.

"PHIL KORITZ spoke on anti-monopoly coalition tactics. He said we should not lose sight of our objectives which, depending on the political scene, would be different in each area. He said that in some areas we would have to work within the Republican Party, and in other areas within the Democratic Party.

"JOHN HOVAN reported that there was a definite split in Rhode Island in the Democratic Party. He said they expected some third party legislation in Rhode Island.

"ANNE spoke again and commented that now that the Conference had taken place, we had to develop some unified line of work, but with individual flexibility because individuals in different areas would be faced with different problems. She said that Senator KENNEDY in New England was very weak on the negro question and it might be possible within our work in the Democratic Party to pin him down on the issue.

"MIKE asked to speak again. He said he challenged a statement that EUGENE DENNIS made at a previous conference. According to MIKE, EUGENE DENNIS made the statement that the negro people were the most advanced politically in the United States. MIKE said he challenged that statement of DENNIS. He thought that labor within the United States was the most class conscious group of people. He commented on Representative POWELL and said the recent trouble involving POWELL in New York was an open and shut reprisal and an attack on civil rights. He said when you consider the amount of money, \$300 or more, that POWELL was supposed to have withheld from income taxes, then this was nothing but political reprisal.

"MIKE also stated that we had to consider labor's role in regard to the two party system. This was something we should be always aware of, to carry on the struggle against bourgeoisie ideology, to carry on the struggle within the two bourgeoisie parties. He said there were certain political ramifications between labor and capital, and out of this would develop a third party, a formal labor party.

"ARNOLD JOHNSON asked for the floor. He commented that we had gotten away from the two main issues projected at the Conference, that we had become involved in the negro question to the exclusion of such issues.

"Previous to this someone had asked about the Minority Report and ARNOLD JOHNSON reported that CARL WINTER and CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT had worked over the Northern Californian Resolution that was presented and from this the Minority Report developed.

"ARNOLD JOHNSON stated that 'Political Affairs' in its June issue was publishing his report on the Conference. He said he imagined there would be some cutting and alterations due to space, and other reasons, but nevertheless felt that his report would help clarify the situation a great deal. ARNOLD JOHNSON said that the projected formation of a negro party grew out of the POWELL situation. He further stated in regard to this matter that another negro candidate, BURTON, from Harlem, had made a statement that anybody in Harlem who voted against POWELL would be a traitor to the negro, and that this statement had been somewhat distorted by the New York 'Times.' This, he said, was the background of the possible formation of a negro party and why it had come up.

"JOHNSON gave us three things he felt we should keep in mind in our work in other political parties, three principles of guidance: (1) We had to watch, study, and review the total policy of our activity within an elections campaign and attempt to correct any weak spot, and when working in a campaign, whether with the Democratic or the Republican Party, we had to keep in mind always the issues and not concentrate on one thing which, as individuals we were doing, and lose track of everything else; (2) That in an election campaign we had to keep in mind the development of individual political action on labor, that we had to be aware of the fact that it was always possible to develop individual labor candidates within the particular political party, and that if we did this without watching the issues, or if we were watching the issues without this, we were not doing our total job; and (3) That regardless of our activity in the Democratic Party, Republican Party or other party, the thing we had to do was concern ourselves with the development of our own party program, and that if we did not do this along with the first two we were not doing a good job of things.

"JOHNSON said we had to watch these three things and also to be careful in becoming active in another political party that we do not lose our own identity in the Communist Party.

"JOHNSON stated that in the DENNIS' report at the Conference it was pointed out that in the main we were to concern ourselves with peace and unemployment. He said that even at this District Committee meeting we had lost sight of such issues. He said it was easy to see why and see how this happens, but on the sane nuclear policy in New Jersey some of the comrades had been able to do quite a bit of work on the thing. He stated he thought that somebody should see Senator KENNEDY on this sane nuclear policy issue.

"JOHNSON in referring to his three principles stated that, of course, some secondary issues would come about, such as attacks on labor, civil liberties and civil rights, all special issues, and we had to be aware of these. He said that while we could develop the dramatic, we had a tendency not to develop the rank and file issues. He thought we had to get away from that a little and concern ourselves with more of what affected the welfare

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"of the masses. He said also we had to develop a certain perspective as to our future, that is toward developing a new party. JOHNSON also pointed out that even though we backed candidates and backed issues on a local level, it was also necessary in order to have a good perspective as to our future, to develop a little independence within these groups.

"JOHNSON then spoke on the United Socialist ticket. He said there was still the problem of the Trotskyites still being against the USSR. On this he said you could ask the question, 'How can you be for peace and still be against the USSR?' He said we should see a relationship between ourself and the independent Socialist, and not allow the Trotskyites to move in on them. He stated you have to actually think about it and establish this relationship in your own mind between you and the independent Socialist.

"JOHNSON wanted to know who was going to take the place of Senator FLANDERS who was not going to run again, and MOSE (ph) from Vermont did not have an answer for him. JOHNSON made the comment that in Rhode Island labor will have to push itself within the Democratic Party in order to get its candidates in there. JOHNSON said he felt that in Boston we were not doing enough groundwork. He also said there was an absence of any real push for labor candidates everywhere and he thought we could do some work on it. He asked whether the ADA was still active. He received the answer that it was but not very effectively. He said we should take a positive outlook and become active, not along slipshod lines but based upon the particular problem or particular issue in the area.

"At this point it was agreed that the Conference report on the 'Consolidation of the Party' should also be given by LEW JOHNSON.

"LEW JOHNSON reported that we were not yet over the hump, that in some areas there were still a few membership trials in process or to be faced. He said that 26 Southern Californians had left the Party. He also said a group of ultra left people in New York were thinking seriously of leaving the Party.

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"LEW JOHNSON stated that by February there had been 3,000 people registered in the United States, and that by April this figure had risen to 6,000 registered members. JOHNSON said the feeling was they could double that figure.

"LEW JOHNSON reported that on a countrywide basis there had been ten May Day meetings held. He did not elaborate on the areas where held.

"JOHNSON reported that in some areas the comrades had been able to exercise some influence on situations, mentioning as an example the garment industry in New York, where, because of a bad fire, some of our trade unionists within the garment union had gotten together. He said that because of the groundwork laid at this time, several Trade Union Safety Committees were later formed with the result that they were able to put through some safety measures in the New York garment industry. He said that in Boston we are dragging our feet, that we have to get busy on our funds drive and recruit new members.

"LEW JOHNSON said there was a lack of material coming in for 'Political Affairs,' which was the reason it came out late each time. It was hoped that more people would contribute articles to 'Political Affairs.'

"LEW reported the feeling was that you had to deal with anti-Party people in a firm and friendly way, and not to push them any farther away. He said that you had to deal with them reasonably and in talking with them you should do so on an ideological basis.

"DAN SCHIRMER asked who the 26 people in Southern California were and of those named, I remember ARNOLD JOHNSON named CELESTE CARLSON and BOB KLONSKY. They also made mention of someone by the name of STARK or STRARK who originally was from Boston as one of the twenty-six.

"BOBBIE reported that MARTHA STONE had resigned from her position of leadership, but was still active in her section. He said there were various other areas where people were resigning from a position of leadership but still active in their sections.

"The other two delegates were asked to comment and BOBBIE reported that 'The Worker' circulation had increased from 9,000 to 12,000; that there was no disunity over the majority and minority problems; that most Party members were still together as a Party, and that even though they took different stands on things they were still together as a Party.

"BOBBIE felt that the majority of people were in agreement with the Majority Report of the National Committee. BOBBIE said once a majority decision is reached we should all carry it out even though we may not all be in agreement.

"FRAN HOOD posed the question that they had discussed this majority report in her club and they had some discussion on the Mass Policy of Socialism, that she did not feel that a Mass Policy of Socialism had been clarified, that she thought the National Committee should do something about that -- 'What do you mean by the Mass Policy of Socialism?'

"DAN SCHIRMER stated he thought that the Party now should have some program of work. He said we should not take attacks against the Party lying down, that we should fight for the Party in every way possible.

"BOB stated that there were no full-timers with the exception of some in New York and one in Chicago and that we had to raise the question of a full-timer in our district.

"ARNOLD was asked to throw some light on the Minority Report and again reported that the Minority Report had been based on the Northern Californian Resolution which was presented to the National Committee and published in 'Political Affairs.' He said this had been worked over by CARL WINTER and CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT and presented as a Minority Report.

"ANNE said she felt the Majority Report had been a little dogmatic, that it tried to go backward to a former era. She thought that within the Party the right to dissent should be further clarified. She said that the Majority Report raised new ideas for discussion, that she was somewhat disturbed by it and felt it was a return to the old bureaucratic methods.

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"BEN LANDEY commented that he had a few reservations about accepting it, that he would accept it but had certain reservations. He said we should try to be a bit more humble with people who disagreed with us, but did not like the feeling that it was a return to former bureaucracy.

"PHIL KORITZ stated he believed in self-criticism and thought that in the past there were occasions when we should have been critical of the Soviet Union. He said he wanted to make a distinction between attack and self-criticism, and expressed the feeling that the National Committee had not clarified this particular issue in regard to the Soviet Union.

"There was a vote as to whether to accept the Majority Resolution. The vote consisted of 10 for acceptance, none against, and 2 abstentions, and MOSE' vote for acceptance was not counted inasmuch as his status as a member of the District Committee remained unclarified. The two abstentions were ANNE TIMPSON and BEN LANDEY. FRAN HOOD did not vote on this because she had left earlier to attend a concert in which her daughters were appearing.

"ANNE made the comment that this was the first time we had a full District Committee meeting and the first time someone from Vermont was there."



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"At a previous District Committee meeting HOMER CHASE had been delegated to go into the New Bedford and Providence area and see what the situation was there. He was at least to leave them with the knowledge that we were going to have an organization in New Bedford. This had developed around PENHA's testifying before the HCUA.

"HOMER in his report said that there had been some very positive results from his trip. He said a great many people had lost their jobs as a result of the HCUA hearings. He stated that the situation in New Bedford was somewhat more acute than in Providence. HOMER reported that in the New Bedford area they questioned the fact that PENHA had represented himself in error, that he was not a member of the Party when he testified, and that former comrades in that area wanted to know why there had not been a public expulsion of PENHA. He said PENHA had been expelled as a Party member and had been returned to the Party at the insistence of SID LIPSHIRES. Some comrades had not even been consulted about his returning to the Party; some had even begged SID not to take him back, and that the Party had not even held a meeting to discuss whether he should come back or not. He thought this whole thing was a manifestation of the error of not having a disciplined, strongly led Party in order to fight imperialism, that there was substantial evidence that SID LIPSHIRES had not even reported the opposition to taking PENHA back again, and that SID was a remnant of the careerist element found in our ranks every once in a while. He said that SID had a poor background in Springfield -- this was brought out by the comrades in New Bedford -- and that he was a real bureaucratic element in the Party. HOMER stated that when there was a chance to have some democracy in the Party SID had just up and left the Party and his feeling was that SID LIPSHIRES should be taken to task. He said the feeling in New Bedford was that LIPSHIRES had been entirely responsible for PENHA's being brought back into the Party again.

"In reporting on what had been accomplished by his trip HOMER said what he did had actually been accomplished previously by PHIL KORITZ and ANNE TIMPSON. He reported that there were several people who wanted to stay in the Party, that some dues had been paid, but that the question of a meeting place in the area had not been resolved. He was quite sure that the Party could be re-established in the New Bedford - Fall River area. He said that in Fall River, although predominantly French-Canadian in population, the only former members were Jewish, and that these had been led by SAM APPEL. He saw SAM APPEL and SAM gave the impression he could not do anything there.

"HOMER also reported that he and his family had been able to establish better relations with the HUGO DeGREGORY family, but that so far such relationship was social in nature and without any real political content. In fact he said that the DeGREGORYs had been to visit his mother, which was a step.

"ELSIE advised HOMER that it had been her impression that his trip was for the purpose of letting people know that we were going to have an organization in New Bedford and he said, 'Oh, yes, that had been accomplished. . .,' but that there were certain things unresolved such as not being able to find a meeting place.

"The question of MIKE RUSSO was taken up. It was stated that MIKE had withdrawn his resignation from the National Committee and had withdrawn his resignation from the District Committee. There were several comments. They wanted first of all to know if MIKE had any political reasons for the action he had taken. MIKE stated that there was no political reason for his doing what he did. He said he reacted out of pure pique. He stated he had certain personal problems and was upset, but 'not because I have differences politically.' The question arose whether it was a bona fide resignation because he had not resigned properly. Previous to this HOMER had insisted that this be on the agenda and HOMER said his reasons for bringing it up were that MIKE had not made any particular niche for himself in a club and if MIKE thought about it there were certain political reasons implicated.

"BEN stated that although MIKE's action had been ill-timed it was not the action of a Communist, and that he did not feel it was entirely MIKE's fault. He said that MIKE had been sent into the District and had been in the District for only three months when he went away for five years. He said MIKE had returned during the pre-Convention discussion period and upon his return had been accused of being a full-fledged bureaucrat. BEN said that everything that had been wrong was blamed on MIKE and although we had other functionaries all personal enmity had been directed at MIKE. BEN thought that we should accept MIKE's explanation.

"PHIL KORITZ said that MIKE should think about it, and that if we thought back to the occasion when MIKE resigned, we would remember that it was during a time when on a countrywide basis there were people who were just getting

"up and resigning. He recalled that at the time he wondered if there were any political reasons for MIKE's action.

"JOHN HOVAN recalled that MIKE at that time should have offered some self-criticism and apparently it was his, HOVAN's, remarks on self-criticism that MIKE had gotten sore about and just walked out. He said he, himself, should examine himself critically for what happened as he was partly to blame and thought at the time there were political implications in MIKE's resigning in that fashion.

"MIKE said that perhaps there were political implications, that he had been a functionary of the Party and was faced with the problem of no job and no particular trade at which he could get a job, that he had spent his life as a political organizer within the political life of the Communist Party, and that he had certain pressures to face and new adjustments to make.

"HOMER injected that he would like some explanation as to the situation on PENHA. Why it was not handled differently. MIKE answered and said, 'Listen, I inherited the mess you had up here, and don't forget it was me from far away that dug PENHA out of the thing.' He said he had been accused of being for GATES at that meeting and that there were many many times that he had disagreed with GATES. MIKE said he did not like being put on one side or another, and did not like the purge tactics taking place now at this meeting. He said that 'out of the seven years I have been up here, don't forget that five of those years I was away.' MIKE stated that in regards to PENHA and the Hungarian and other issues, he took a stand when no one else here did. He stated, 'I would like to tell you about those seven years, there are a lot of things you people do not know about and I would like to talk about them.'

"BOB GOODWIN spoke. He said we were not for any purge but that we did have to consider some of the background of MIKE's action. The final judgment would come through MIKE's work on the National Committee, that just what type of work he did would be sort of the 'proof of the pudding.'

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"DAN spoke. He said he was willing to accept MIKE's point of view. He said that he had been in the area and knew some of the background and could easily understand MIKE's action in resigning.

"BEN had made a motion to accept MIKE's withdrawal of resignation to the National Committee and ELSIE PIPER seconded the motion. No vote was taken.

"MIKE spoke again. He said that maybe the thing he should do was to resign again from the National Committee, that he found it very difficult to accept some of the things that were going on just on an ideological basis.

"MOSE wanted to know if MIKE, feeling as he did, could go back to the National Committee and carry out the wishes of the District Committee, and that if he could not maybe he should resign. MOSE said he had not been here before and did not know what was going on.

"MIKE said he was sorry but that there were a lot of things that have occurred which, in good conscience, he could not accept -- many things in direct opposition to the resolutions passed at the Sixteenth National Convention. MIKE said that although he thought he was a good Marxist, and thought he had the interest of the organization at heart, there were things he could not accept just on ideological grounds.

"ARNOLD gave him a little advice. ARNOLD said he thought that when a man was given the authority to represent a group at the National Committee level that it was always advisable to consider the wishes of the group he represented. He said MIKE had to think about it and deal with it under the whole context of leadership, that actually it was a problem of representation and leadership and that MIKE should consider it in this light. Did MIKE on resigning think about it in such terms? If not, he should have because of conscience. ARNOLD said that MIKE must realize that he represented a group of people back home and did not always represent himself as an individual up there.

"ANNE said that although she had never taken issue with HOMER, he should be able to remember that at our Convention he made the comment that the same old gang had gone in. HOMER disagreed with her, and said that it was his brother,

"JOE, who made such statement. HOMER suggested that if MIKE felt the way he did it would be good for MIKE if MIKE took a six months' leave of absence.

"ELSIE wanted something clarified for her. She said that inasmuch as MIKE had been elected to the National Committee by the Convention she wanted to know whether the District Committee had the right to relieve him of his position as a National Committee member, or whether this was something for the Convention to do. ARNOLD JOHNSON said he thought the District Committee had the right to act in MIKE's case based on his knowledge that where there had been resignations from the National Committee such positions had been refilled by the District Committees concerned.

"ANNE commented that the Convention constitution had never clarified this issue, that it had never been resolved.

"BEN withdrew his motion and suggested we table this discussion. MIKE then asked for an opportunity to tell about the last seven years because, 'You people just don't know what happened up here.' It was finally agreed that we hold a special meeting on June 15 around the question of leadership. It was further agreed that MIKE be given the opportunity to talk about the last seven years and clear the air at this special meeting, with no action to be taken until MIKE had an opportunity to get everything off his chest.


"It was stated that on June 7 and 8 there would be a conference for Boston Party people only on drafting a trade union program.

"MISCELLANEOUS

"Following the meeting, 'BOBBIE' JOHNSON (Mrs. LEWIS JOHNSON) said they had to be in Sharon at eight o'clock and did not think they would make it.



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 JOHNSON said he had to be in Pennsylvania the next weekend and the following weekend he had something else on, but if it was that important, he would be at the meeting for MIKE.

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"At the meeting ELSIE had a lot of clippings about the political situation as it was developing on the North Shore. The clippings were given to ARNOLD JOHNSON who had requested items of local political interest. They were taken from the Beverly 'Times' and Danvers paper.

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[REDACTED] described MOSE as follows:

Name:	MOSE
Residence:	Vermont
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	Late 50's or early 60's
Height:	5' 8" or 5' 9"
Weight:	165 to 170 pounds
Build:	Medium
Eyes:	Dark - heavy eyebrows
Hair:	Black
Complexion:	Dark - smooth
Characteristics:	Very fine mannered - intellectual type - joins tips of fingers when in thought. Believes he had a small mustache.

All necessary action has been taken with respect to information furnished above.

7/2/58

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AIR MAIL REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-68)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)
RE: CP, USA, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
DISTRICT, MEMBERSHIP.
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Information from [redacted] discloses 1958 registration is probably largely completed and registration in Los Angeles County as of June was 924 members. CHARLENE MITCHELL, Administrative Secretary, SCDGP, indicated the registration was conducted in a slipshod manner, and was inconclusive insofar as it provided ^{INCOMPLETE} information concerning composition of the membership. In this regard, BEN DOBBS, Executive Secretary, SCDGP, stated there have been serious losses among Negro, Mexican-American and working class comrades, and the average age of Party members has risen to 52 years.

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SAC, Los Angeles

July 8, 1958

Director, FBI (100-3-68)(100-3-69)

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
ORGANIZATION
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
MEMBERSHIP
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

The San Francisco Division recently forwarded to the Bureau the results of a detailed analytical survey of the Communist Party (CP) organization and membership in the Northern District of California. This survey set forth in detail the complete organizational structure of that district including district and county committees and the identities of officers and functionaries from the club through to the district level. It also listed the identities of the individuals who compose the membership of the Northern District of California by club and on a current basis.

The Bureau considers a survey of this nature invaluable to the Bureau and to the individual field division in properly evaluating the coverage of the CP district, particularly in areas such as the Los Angeles Division where the CP has a large and active organization. It should prove of great value in directing future investigative activities into the CP in your district and in determining whether the informant coverage is adequate in all areas.

In view of the above, you are instructed to submit within 30 days of receipt of this communication a letter setting forth the results of your survey of the CP in the Southern California District. You should specifically identify the members of the important committees and all officers and functionaries from the club to the district level. In addition, you should identify each CP club and section in this district together with the identities of the individual club members and the most recent date that each member was so identified. If the identification of an individual is tentative or if his membership is suspected, you should so state by placing the word tentative or suspected following the individual's name. It is further desired that you note the informant coverage by symbol numbers in each club. You should state the total number of CP members and the total number of individuals whose membership is tentative or suspected.

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Letter to SAC, Los Angeles
RE: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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You may, if you so desire, utilize maps and charts in setting forth the geographic distribution of the CP within your division.

FBI RADIOGRAM

TO: SAC LOS ANGELES

DATE: JULY 9, 1958

FROM: SAC SAN FRANCISCO SF 091913 12:13 PM PDT

JULY 9, 1958

CP, USA, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, MEMBERSHIP, IS - C.
FOR PURPOSE OF CP QUARTERLY REPORT THE ESTIMATED MEMBERSHIP FIGURE
BEING USED FOR FRESNO IS 5 FIVE AND TULARE IS FIFTEEN AS REPORTED BY
[REDACTED] FROM CP REGISTRATION. REQUEST LOS ANGELES IMMEDIATELY
REPLY IF THESE FIGURES ARE CURRENTLY INCORRECT OR ARE TO BE REVISED.

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If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.

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AIR MAIL REGISTERED

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)
RE: CP, USA, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF
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Same figures being utilized for Fresno and
Tulare as in last quarterly report.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-88)
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-87211)
SUBJECT: CP, USA - FACTIONALISM
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CP, USA - ORGANIZATION
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DATE: 7/10/58

Re New York teletypes 6/27 and 28/58, captioned "CP, USA - FACTIONALISM, IS-C."

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NY 2327-S*, who was in a position to furnish reliable information, reported on 6/27/58, that a meeting of right wing forces was held in the hotel room of STEVE NELSON, Room 1221, Hotel Edison, New York City, on that date.

Believed to have been in attendance were MARTHA STONE, DOROTHY HEALEY, BEN DOBBS, SAM KUSHNER, NELSON, and one other person.

The meeting began at 12:28 p.m. with NELSON announcing the purpose of the meeting was to go over some information and to count noses as to who should attend the meeting that night, including some people who are not on the National Committee, such as GEORGE WATT, DOC (ALBERT BLUMBERG), (MORRIS) GAINOR, and (MORRIS) SCHAPPES. NELSON indicated that the result of the meeting that night should be that "we" (right-wing) can go into the (National Committee) meeting more jelled than we are now.

An unidentified male said that the approach at the meeting (that evening) should include ideological questions, of which "our" (right-wing) approach is the best, and to fight for a position to unite the Party, a minimum basis for uniting the Party. He said that "our" (CP) refusal to endorse and provide an official line (concerning) the 12-Party document, resulted in too many people regarding the CP as ... tacticians (ph) and wanting no part of the Party. The unidentified male continued that you must show you are in the Party and do not want to get out; this will help make people not be suspicious (of right-wing), including those who upheld the NAGY (ex-Hungarian Premier IMRE NAGY) execution.

NELSON, speaking of the National Committee meeting, said it would be vicious against the ultra-left.

MARTHA STONE said she has looked critically at the CP for months. She stated she does not want to be in the Party or stay in the Party on the basis as it is now.

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STONE said she does not want to be affiliated with people who by-pass the Party constitution and feels that the stage is set for a meeting of "set up or else".

STONE continued and said the trend in her district (New Jersey) is a shifting to the left. She stated "we" (right-wing) should issue a statement and let the world know that we will not be a part of (the left-wing position). STONE asserted "we are not following (JOHN) GATES or (WILLIAM Z.) FOSTER."

STONE mentioned having written a letter to all National Committee members and "let the chips fall where they may." She stated "we" (right-wing) should organize our forces and unite ideologically ... not just FRED FINE and SID STEIN. STONE said if "they" (left-wing) issue a warning against us (at the National Committee meeting), we cannot compromise and must take a stand. She said if "it" (right-wing position) does not have the okay of CARL WINTER and CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, they could speak later. STONE said that in her opinion, "they" (left-wing) will not let "us" stay in the Party (and if the left-wing feels the right-wing) is usurping the authority of the (National) Committee, there is no sense being on the committee.

BEN (DOBBS) mentioned being silent (at the National Committee meeting). STONE retorted "we" (right-wing) cannot afford to be silent or we will be defeated (and have) to walk out.

Apparently speaking of the meeting for that night, BEN (DOBBS) said "we" must give "them" some of the future perspectives of our fight. He stated this is a struggle in itself.

DOROTHY HEALEY stated "we" insist that our position be placed in "The Worker" next week and "we" must publicly identify ourselves throughout the country as to what we stand for.

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Apparently referring to the meeting scheduled for that evening, HEALEY said (BEN) CARREAUTHERS is invited to the meeting and SID STEIN and CARL ROSS received invitations to the meeting.

HEALEY then asked what the present leadership has contributed to Party democracy and said that in the long range struggle, "we" (CP) have been beaten on a world-wide scale, there have been changes in the Chinese Party and in the Soviet line.

HEALEY said that at the meeting that evening she would also discuss the expanding of the NEC (National Executive Committee) and recommend that "he" (not identified) accept the nomination and run for a position on the NEC. HEALEY added that "back home" (California) "we" (right-wing) found no acceptance of our position.

NELSON, referring to the meeting that evening, said he would speak on the Hungarian situation but would not do so in the same manner (JOHN) GATES did. NELSON said "we" (CP) should make some profound statements regarding Hungary and indicated SI (GERSON) should draft a clear position which would condemn capital punishment, secret trials, adding that under a socialist system today you cannot do those things.

An unidentified male stated "they" (Soviet Union) have given needless ammunition to DULLES and others and have damaged world socialism.

NELSON stated that additions to the NEC would be a problem (at the National Committee meeting) and asked who "we" should nominate. MARTHA STONE interjected that if FRED (FINE) and SID (STEIN) had run (for the NEC), they would have been defeated.

The conversation then shifted to the manner in which the right-wing could introduce a resolution at the National Committee meeting.

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NELSON said "he" can say that he wants to make a comment on BOB's (THOMPSON) report. An unidentified male stated that people will want to debate (apparently on the resolution).

MARTHA STONE asserted that if "our" (right-wing) statement does not get into "The Worker", we have to make a fight. She said that once the statement is printed, it is in public domain.

Apparently referring to the meeting for that evening, NELSON said there were 16 names on the list. He read the following:

ALLAN SHAW
AL RICHMOND
DAVE DAVIS
JOE ROBERTS
SI GERSON
DOROTHY HEALEY
MARTHA STONE
SID STEIN
GEORGE WATT
DOC BLUMBERG
STEVE NELSON
BEN (DOBBS)
NAT GANLEY
CARL ROSS, who is not coming.

DOROTHY HEALEY said she did not know about JOE ROBERTS, DAVE (DAVIS), CLAUDE (LIGHTFOOT) and (BILL) SCHNEIDERMAN (?).

It was decided NELSON would open the meeting that evening and enumerate the various points and how they (right-wing) would present them (at the National Committee meetings).

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NELSON said that although it is a year and a half after the convention, "we" (right-wing) should present our views and if we are thrown out (of CP), then decide on future action. He said SID (STEIN) no longer can co-ordinate and organize and virtually pleaded with MARTHA STONE to "stay with us for this cause". NELSON implied that if the right-wing should walk out of the National Committee meeting, they should do it enmasse.

The meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

NY 2327-S* reported on 6/27/58, the meeting, scheduled for that evening, of the right-wing forces, took place in the hotel room of STEVE NELSON, commencing at 9:00 p.m.

Prior to the meeting, NELSON received a telephone call from SID TAYLOR, who said he would not be present at the meeting that evening. TAYLOR indicated he is no longer on the (National) Committee but would attend the meeting.

In informal conversations prior to this meeting, the following took place:

NELSON, in conversation with JOE (ROBERTS), said that (BILL) SCHNEIDERMAN and FRED (FINE) are out, CLAUDE (LIGHTFOOT) is not coming in, and NELSON did not know if "we" can pick up ALLAN SHAW and NAT GANLEY.

NELSON said SI (GERSON) and AL (RICHMOND) were going to draft a statement on the Hungarian question.

NELSON stated that during the period 1948 to 1955, "they" (CP) have made the Pittsburgh case the main case and raised money for it. He said, however, that the members did not get any receipts for the money they gave. NELSON added "we" gave back \$70,000 to those for whom "he" (not identified) had receipts. He said that the "Daily Worker" staff collected \$1600 for the Pittsburgh case and "we" have no receipt for

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that money. NELSON said ARNOLD JOHNSON wrote him a letter regarding Pittsburgh not being willing to "pay up" to the "Daily Worker" staff.

MARTHA STONE interjected she had turned back \$7,000 on her own case.

NELSON said the CP is losing money when they return bond money (apparently due to the lack of receipts).

STONE said she had asked (JOHN) GATES, in the past, to insure that the bail money did not get mixed in with the tax money. NELSON then asked AL (RICHMOND) about "the ones" who left in California. RICHMOND said he had written a letter to LIL CARLSON before she left urging her not to go. He said he had also written a letter to BILL (SCHNEIDERMAN) but BILL did not even acknowledge the letter.

An unidentified male then stated HY (probably LUMER) wants to go out there (California) the first two weeks of September.

NELSON asked RICHMOND to give him a report on San Francisco.

RICHMOND said "we" have to build the district in Northern California and we have 50 members in the San Joaquin Valley.

In answer to a question from NELSON, RICHMOND said ARCHIE (BROWN) follows (EUGENE) DENNIS' line.

DOROTHY HEALEY then read an article from "Political Affairs" by JAMES JACKSON, in which he apparently derided HEALEY. She made a great joke of it.

HEALEY then stated that the education department is holding a conference in the district (date not indicated).

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NELSON stated that AL (SHAW) and JOE (ROBERTS) were not present at their earlier session and briefly mentioned the points discussed.

An unidentified male interrupted and said that CARL ROSS said "they" would not give him the money to go to the National Committee meeting.

At this point, 9:00 p.m., NELSON called the meeting to order. Believed to have been in attendance were: MARTHA STONE, DOROTHY HEALEY, JOE ROBERTS, BEN DOBBS, AL RICHMOND, DAVE DAVIS, ALAN SHAW, SID STEIN, SI GERSON and NELSON.

NELSON began the meeting suggesting a discussion on the Hungarian question.

GERSON mentioned an editorial in "The Worker" relative to support of the second intervention (in Hungary). He intimated he and AL (RICHMOND) were preparing a statement rebuking the Hungarian executions, possibly to appear in "The Worker". GERSON said he desired to get a declaration by the National Committee in this regard. He said that these executions are being utilized to destroy the concept of co-existence. GERSON indicated he felt that the CP should follow the Polish CP and refuse to endorse the action in Hungary.

An unidentified male stated he thought GERSON's proposition was valid and "we" can't possibly go beyond it.

SID STEIN stated "we" (CP) are back where we started. "The Worker" is not going to say a thing. STEIN said he repudiates and condemns the executions and "if the CP, USA does not repudiate, they are jackasses". STEIN added "we" must find a statement that preaches co-existence and does not endorse the executions. STEIN stated there

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must be an end to this kind of thing, but you cannot say it because you will be expelled from the National Committee.

MARTHA STONE stated there is a unanimous feeling that "this" (editorial) was printed from the N.C. (probably National Center). She said "they" (left-wing) did not wait until that weekend until the National Committee meetings and if there is any opposition from the right-wing, "they" (left-wing) will expell us from the Party. She stated that nevertheless, the right-wing should face it and state how they feel about this matter. STONE added the right-wing should present a position, as a minority, to collide with the editorial and make it public that there is a minority opinion. STONE said "we" should say our position is the best way for the Party and that it will lead to our expulsion.

DOROTHY HEALEY said the least that the right-wing would come out with would be a repudiation of the editorial in "The Worker" - "we" are not going to re-live the Hungarian events.

NELSON asserted that this wrecks the chances of peaceful co-existence - we have nothing in common with the people who make use of this - JOHN FOSTER DULLES, etc.

JOE ROBERTS stated he repudiated this position, no matter what the consequences. He said there is no basis for the murder of NAGY. ROBERTS stated he would send a copy of his statement to every labor paper in the country if "The Worker" will not repudiate the executions. He asserted that international solidarity is a two-way street and that the term "revisionist" has become a joke.

BEN (DOBBS) stated "we" have to face this question in the framework of the National Committee and that "we" have to express our position and repudiate the editorial. He said "we" have been trying to make this Party an American Party and "we're" fighting for our independence.

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AL (SHAW) asserted that the right-wing must say objectively to the CP and the world that it is making a break on this issue.

MARTHA STONE said "we" (right-wing) must say we disapprove of what was done to NAGY.

An unidentified male stated that what must be said is this whole action is senseless ... if there is to be peaceful co-existence. He said what is happening is contrary to the 16th National Convention and that this line must be challenged with as strong a challenge as possible. He added "we" have to issue a challenge as a matter of policy as well as a statement that will meet the seriousness of the situation.

Another unidentified male, believed to be SI GERSON, stated "we" must make a clear repudiation of this editorial. He stated that if "you" (members of right-wing) are worried about what might happen to them, they should not be in this fight. He stated that the Chinese and the Bulgarians are on the bandwagon. GERSON asserted that the editorial in "The Worker" does not present the line of the convention and hurts Marxism in the United States. He said the (National) "Guardian" made a break with their former position in Hungary and "we" have to fight for the convention line.

STONE then asked "are we prepared to say that we do not approve of the execution of NAGY and explain why?" She said she did not want a statement that would leave any doubt as to the position of the right-wing.

An unidentified male said they had to go further and disassociate themselves from DULLES, EISENHOWER, and others.

Another unidentified male stated that if "we" (right-wing) do not fight on their own principles, he did

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not know why they were here. He said that "we" are still talking internally, whereas he is more concerned with a clear position. He asserted he could not be in the Party on the basis of this and said the right-wing statement must be a clear statement of policy.

NELSON asked how they would be able to raise this problem from their own point of view.

An unidentified male stated that if GENE (DENNIS) makes a report on Hungary, they could stop him and ask for a point of special privilege and state that the (CP) constitution was violated by taking a position prior to the meeting of the National Committee.

MARTHA STONE interjected "we" know that BOB THOMPSON has his report ready on the role of the Party.

SI (GERSON) stated he had had lunch with -- (unintelligible) the previous day and "he" has been to Russia. GERSON said there is a lot of merit in wanting to unite those people who want to express their disapproval (of the executions) as bluntly as we do.

DOROTHY HEALEY stated it is preferable that the struggle be conducted within the Party. She said the right-wing has been unsuccessful in holding the cadre in the Party and their position and views are being distorted within the Party. She said that sandwiched between FOSTER and GATES, the right-wing did not fully develop their position. HEALEY stated that "800 registered in Los Angeles" and the Party is in a deeper crisis than it was before. She asserted "we" must decide, as a group, on important ideological questions.

An unidentified male, believed to be JOE ROBERTS, said there could have been a majority based on the 16th National Convention. He asserted "we" cannot win our position,

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FOSTER can't win, maybe DENNIS will go along with (CLAUDE) LIGHTFOOT. He said his own personal conviction is that he can no longer do anything for socialism in the National Committee of the Party. ROBERTS added he was not resigning from the Party but hoped that someday the international situation would change.

DOROTHY HEALEY stated she has constantly yielded ground (to the left). She mentioned the leadership in California and referred to the 26 who left the Party. HEALEY then stated that San Francisco has 150 members at most, Alameda County has 20 members, Santa Clara County has 70 members. HEALEY added that all "we" (right-wing) do is walk away from a fight. She stated that "what's the difference from being a member of the National Committee or the CP?"

NELSON interrupted and said SI (GERSON) would read the statement prepared relative to the repudiation of the NAGY execution.

GERSON spoke in a very low voice and NY 2327-S* was unable to secure the text of the statement.

An unidentified male stated that this kind of a resolution gives comrades an opportunity to stand up and be counted.

An unidentified male, possibly GERSON, said "we" should demand that this resolution be printed in "The Worker" and made public.

NELSON interjected "lets agree on the substance". He said the world knows where honor (in) stood on this matter.

An unidentified male asked why "we" should not speak as Communists and members of the National Committee. He said that if "we" publish the resolution, NELSON's name should head the list, as head-on repudiation, and STEVE's position is known.

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NY 2327-S* advised it appeared that all present seemed to like the statement but felt it did not go far enough, however, they appeared to be afraid or reluctant to make the statement more severe or definite.

DOROTHY HEALEY said MICKEY (LIMA) might go along with statement if AL (RICHMOND) does.

NELSON said the statement should be brought up (at the National Committee meeting) either when DENNIS gives his report on the international situation or when THOMPSON gives his report on the role of the Party.

An unidentified male said he could send the statement to the "Freiheit" if necessary.

Another unidentified male stated "... the FBI to plant (ph) it ... if it leaks out ..."

Another unidentified male said that the right-wing also had to say something (probably at the National Committee meeting) on the building of socialism.

NELSON suggested they wind up the last point - personnel. HEALEY said this meant the NEC (National Executive Committee).

An unidentified male mentioned CHARLENE MITCHELL of California and BURT NELSON of the Northwest (apparently for the NEC).

Another unidentified male mentioned a "west coast caucus" and "someone from Southern California" (apparently for the NEC).

Another unidentified male said he would be satisfied with a smaller NEC inasmuch as there is a smaller Party.

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SID STEIN said he could not go to the meeting (National Committee) and "make these speeches". He said he was not invited to the National Committee meeting but as far as this situation is concerned, he would send a telegram to the meeting expressing his views. He added, "I have no rights at all".

DOROTHY HEALEY then stated, referring to STEIN, "if you're going to resign from the National Committee, wait a decent enough time until we decide what we want to do."

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 a.m., 6/28/58.

Following the meeting, NY 2327-S* advised he believed DAVE DAVIS and JOE ROBERTS spent the rest of the night in NELSON's room.

NY 2327-S* reported on 6/28/58, that during the morning, NELSON, DAVIS and ROBERTS had a general discussion prior to attending the National Committee meeting.

ROBERTS mentioned a friend of his named GUY (LNU) and said he does not work. He said GUY is a "new lancer" (ph) now that the Federal Government has decided to "give weekends" and has taken advantage of it. He said GUY is getting extra ... insurance and doesn't have to work.

NELSON apparently referring to the National Committee meeting, said it is not going to last long. He added, "it is quite possible that MARTHA (STONE) is out."

Referring to "The Worker" editorial, NELSON said he told MARGARET (NELSON) that "this is the line."

Continuing, NELSON said PHIL (LNU) gave "the report". He said "they" came back from the conference in New York saying everything is rosy and there is only one trouble ... becoming a rat."

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ROBERTS asked if PHIL was "the guy from steel." NELSON said PHIL is a guy from the U.E. and who went to the industrial council. ROBERTS said the meeting was comprised just of people in the shops and they discussed what they were doing in the shops.

ROBERTS said PHIL came out (to Philadelphia?) and gave a report and said "they" had a experience with the ultra-left. ROBERTS said there was a woman from the ultra-left assigned to PHIL and that everytime the guys started to talk shop, she would ask "what about the dictatorship of the proletariat?" or "what about the 12-Party resolution?"

They then briefly discussed the labor situation relative to shorter working hours, with ROBERTS stating the CP should have a Marxist approach to the question of shorter hours.

NELSON interjected he had discussed this question last July with CARL WINTER when they had discussed the auto situation.

ROBERTS stated there is a possibility of getting a group of former ... around us, maybe some workers from the Socialist Party and other people who want to discuss socialism... the revolutionary Trotskyites.

ROBERTS said "we" work for the Party... an organizer ... not because "they" would like something better ... these guys in the National Office need their pay.

NELSON said that six months ago, SID (STEIN) told him that FOSTER costs the Party \$50,000 a year and that now that he is sick, it is even more. NELSON added SID indicated DENNIS also costs the Party \$50,000 a year. NELSON said some of the people in New York and Chicago are fighting for severance pay, some got six months, some got full pay.

It was mentioned that CARL WINTER, although he has not resigned from the National Committee, is not coming in for the meeting and that BILL (probably SCHNEIDERMAN)

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did not come in for the meeting.

ROBERTS mentioned that SID (STEIN) has a gloomy prospect of being able to get back into activity in his union.

If the above information is to be utilized in a report or disseminated outside the Bureau, it should be adequately paraphrased to protect the identity of this highly sensitive source of information.

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MEMBERSHIP

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The following was prepared by SA W. NATHAN PROVINSE:

T-3 advised on June 11, 1958, that CHARLENE MITCHELL gave a report on the 1958 registration of members at an SCDCP Organizational Conference held June 8, 1958. MITCHELL reported that 924 members had been registered in Los Angeles County. She complained that even the simplest organizational procedures were not followed during the registration; report forms were either not used or were incomplete, and it was therefore not possible to give a conclusive report on the full composition of the Party in this District.

While MITCHELL's figures on composition of the SCDCP were inconclusive, T-3 further advised that at the same meeting BEN DOBBS reported that the average age of Party members had risen to 52 years and that there have been serious losses among Negro, Mexican-American, and working class comrades.

T-3 further advised that MITCHELL also reported that the situation was further complicated by a variation among the Sections in designating the leadership and defining their duties. There are no standard titles; some Sections have Organizational Secretaries, some have Membership Secretaries, some have Financial Secretaries, and the duties vary from Section to Section.

T-3 had previously reported on March 26, 1958, that as of that date the Party in Los Angeles County held itself accountable for 1,321 members, but local functionaries were estimating the final registration for the entire District would not be much over 1,000 members.

The following is a recapitulation of the membership in all counties in the SCDCP:

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<u>County</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Source</u>
Los Angeles	924	T-3 (6/11/58)
San Bernardino- Riverside	33	T-18 and T-19 (4/1/58)
Orange	17	T-20 and T-21 (3/25/58)
Santa Barbara- Ventura	6	T-22 (3/25/58)
San Diego	25	T-23 (3/13/58)
Total, SCDCP	<u>1,005</u>	

Following is a recapitulation of membership in the area covered by the Los Angeles Division, excluding San Diego County, but including Fresno and Tulare Counties which fall within the jurisdiction of the Northern California District, CP:

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Tulare	15	T-24 (1/23/58)
Fresno	5	T-24 (1/23/58)
Total, Los Angeles Division	<u>1,000</u>	

NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

At-large

DOROTHY HEALEY CONNELLY
CHARLENE MITCHELL

SCDCP Representatives

BEN DOBBS
PETTIS PERRY

DISTRICT BOARD

Chairman: DOROTHY HEALEY CONNELLY

Executive Secretary: BEN DOBBS

Educational Director: JAMES FOREST

Administrative Secretary: CHARLENE MITCHELL

Labor Secretary: BERNARD LUSHER

Legislative Director: NEMMY SPARKS

Negro Commission: FRANK WHITLEY

Jewish Commission: SANFORD GOLDNER

Minorities Commission: PETTIS PERRY

DISTRICT COUNCIL

Members-at-large

HORACE ALEXANDER
DOROTHY HEALEY CONNELLY
TOM CREED
NEIL CROWE
BEN DOBBS
ALEX ENDE
JAMES FOREST
SANFORD GOLDNER
CALVIN GOODMAN
HARRY HUNT
BERNARD LUSHER
CHARLENE MITCHELL
PETTIS PERRY
ELIZABETH RICARDO
IRVING SARNOFF
NELMY SPARKS

SECTION REPRESENTATIVES

Beverly-Fairfax Section

AARON COHEN
EMIL FREED

Boyle Heights Section

CHARLES SCHWARTZ

Centinella Section

ELSIE MONJAR
JACK ROSE

Compton Section

IRVING SNIDER
FRED CANNON

Echo Park Section

ELIZABETH SPECTOR
HENRY SAZER

East Hollywood Section

WALLY TALEOT

57th A. D. Section

TILLIE STEIN
DORO SHAPIRO

58th A. D. Section

JERA ATINSKY

Harbor Section

RUTH UTRECHT

Needle Trade Section

BERNICE HENRY
SOPHIE SILVER

Building Trade Section

MARLOWE BOOTH
JOHN MANNING

Miscellaneous Industry Section

JESSIE JOSEPHSON
CLARENCE YOUNG

Moranda Smith Section

ANITA ROSTODHA
WILLIAM TAYLOR

Orange County Section

TED KNOWLTON
BERT DUGDALE

Pasadena Section

ANN BYLER

Professional Section

None

San Bernardino - Riverside Section

HOWARD LOUKS
A. C. ROGERS

San Gabriel Section

HARRY FREED

Santa Barbara - Ventura Section

WILLIAM ISBELL

21st C. D. Section

MURRAY NAIDICK
ART SAVAGE

22nd C. D. Section

JEANNETTE KOVNER
MAX STEINBERG

Western Section

DANIEL COHEN
MARILYN KAGER

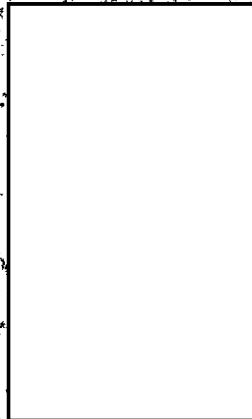
Whittier Section

VIVIAN VALLENS

Zapata Section

SOL MONROY
NAOMI BLAIR (alternate)

Informants providing coverage of District Council:

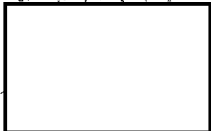


EDUCATION COMMISSION

Chairman: JAMES FOREST

Members: ELSIE MONJAR
CAL GOODMAN
TINY KNOX
NAN ELAIR
ELLEN BERMAN
IRVING SNIDER

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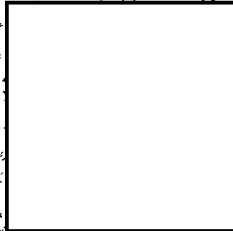
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NEGRO COMMISSION

Chairman: FRANK WHITLEY

Members: AL THEBODEAUX
ERNE SMITH
CLARENCE YOUNG
ROSE KUSNITZ
JOAN JAMES
PETTIS PERRY
ANITA ROSTODHA
FRED CANNON
TINY KNOX
HORACE ALEXANDER
ELIZABETH WILLIAMS
WILLIAM TAYLOR
PAUL JACKSON
CYRIL BRIGGS

Informants providing coverage:



In addition, the SCDCP has created a Jewish, a
Minorities, and a Labor Commission which have been inactive
to date.

SCDGP SECTIONS

Beverly-Fairfax
Boyle Heights
Building Trades
Centinela
Compton
East Hollywood
Echo Park
57th A.D.
58th A.D.
Harbor
Miscellaneous Industry
Meranda Smith
Needle Trades
Orange County
Pasadena
Professional
San Bernardino - Riverside
San Gabriel
Santa Barbara - Ventura
21st C.D.
22nd C.D.
Western
Whittier
Zapata

As to be seen on the maps, all sections in the SCDOP are based on geographical boundaries with the exception of the following:

- (1) Building Trades
- (2) Miscellaneous Industry
- (3) Needle Trades
- (4) Professional
- (5) Zapata

Sections one through four above are based on industrial concentration of specific professions while the Zapata Section is based on the desire of the individual member to do Mexican concentration work.

BOYLE HEIGHTS SECTION

Total Identified members: 35

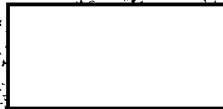
Total Tentative members: 8

Total: 43

Section Officers: Chairman - CHARLES SCHWARTZ 6/58
Financial Secretary - SIMON FEINBERG "
Educational Director - SHIRLEY KESSLER "
"People's World" - ANNA STONE "

Clubs within the section: (1) Boyle Heights Club
(2) City Terrace Club

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CITY TERRACE CLUB

Total Identified members: 22

Total Tentative members: 3

Total: 25

Club Officers: Financial Director SIMON FEINBERG
Club Chairman, delegate to SCDCP CHARLES SCHWARTZ
Educational Director SHIRLEY KESSLER
"People's World" Director ANNA STONE

Club Members:

SOPHIE BENNETT	6/58	JOHNNY JUANER	6/58
SIMON FEINBERG	"	CHARLES SCHWARTZ	"
REBECCA FEINBERG	"	MILTON STILLMAN	"
CLARA FOX	"	BEA STADLER	"
SHIRLEY KESSLER	"	ANNA STONE	"
BARBARA KAPLAN	"	PHIL SASLAVSKY	"
SELMA KREMEN	"	CELLA SCHWARTZ	"
ERWIN KREMEN	"	OSHER RINGUS	"
ANNA KRUPNICK	"	IDA MONARCH	"
MIKE KRUPNICK	"	JULIUS PERLMAN	"
ANNA JUANER	"	JOSEPHINE YANEZ	"

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BOYLE HEIGHTS CLUB

Total Identified members: 13

Total Tentative members: 5

Total: 18

Club Officers: Chairman - ADA DOBBS

Club Members:

HARRY BENNETT 6/58
ESTHER BENJAMIN "
HYMAN CHAIT "
VINCENT FRAGA "
ADA DOBBS "
AARON FEINEBERG "
BERTHA MARSHALL "

SHIRLEY MANDEL 6/58
JOSEPH KENECSBERG "
SARAH PERSILY "
BERTHA TURCHINSKY "
JOSEPH TURCHINSKY "
EDWARD SANDLER "

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BUILDING TRADES SECTION

Total Identified members: 16

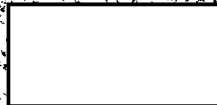
Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 16

Section Officers: Chairman - ALEX ENDE
NELL CROWE }
HARRY HUNT } exact positions unknown
MARLOWE BOOTH }
HERB FINK }
ABE BOWERS }

Clubs within the section: (1) Building Trades Club
(2) Electrical Club

Informants providing coverage:



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BUILDING TRADES CLUB

Total Identified members: 7

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 7

Club Officers: Chairman - JOHN MANNING 7/58

Club Members: JOHN MANNING 7/58
JIM DAVIS " "
JIM GOWANS " "
FRANCIS SCOVILLE " "
ARCHIE MC NAIR " "
CHARLES ALEXANDER " "
AL THIBODEAUX " "

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ELECTRICAL CLUB

Total Identified members: 9

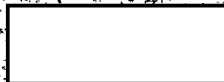
Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 9

Club Officers: Chairman - IRVING KESSLER
Secretary-Treasurer - BEN SALAZAR

Club Members: IRVING KESSLER 7/58
BEN SALAZAR II
KING MORENO II
MARLEN RABIRORF II
CLINT PAIGE II
ALEX ENDE II
GEORGE MATICH II
ABE BOWERS II
GENE DROGIN II

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BEVERLY-FAIRFAX SECTION

Total Identified members: 31

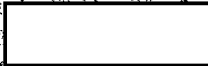
Total Tentative members: —

Total: 31

Section Officers: Chairman - EMLI FREED, 7/58
Organizational Secretary - SELMA ELBER, 7/58
Section Educational Director - AARON COHEN, 7/58

Clubs within the section: (1) Club #1
(2) Club #2
(3) Club #3
(4) Club #4

Informants providing coverage:



#2 CLUB

Total Identified members: 16

Total Tentative members: --

Total: 16

Club Officers: Chairman - EDITH POLLACK, 7/58
Organizational Secretary - SYLVIA PRIMACK, 7/58
Ed. Committee - RICHARD ROSENTHAL, 7/58
" " - HELMER BERGMAN, 7/58

Club Members: SIMONE BERGMAN 7/58
NATHAN BUCHMAN "
MOLLIE BUCHMAN "
EVELYN BERKOWITZ 4/58
IRVING GOFF 7/58
SOPHIE GOFF "
BORIS GORELICK "
EDITH GORELICK "
CARL KESSLER "
CONSTANCE KESSLER "
HYMAN KEYLIN "
ESTHER MILLER "

Informants providing coverage:

The following is a list of members of the Beverly-Fairfax Section whose exact club assignment is unknown:

BERTHA NEPOVE	3/58
HARRY CASTALINE	"
MOLLIE BERMAN	"
HELEN STEWART	"
VICTOR SHAPIRO	"
EVELYN SCOVILLE	"
VIRGINIA WILLIAMS	"
ESTHER LEWITTES	"
EMIL FREED	7/58
TASSIA FREED	3/58
AARON COHEN	7/58
MARY COHEN	3/58
SELMA ELBER	7/58
WILLIAM LEVINE	"
SARAH LEVINE	"

CENTINELA SECTION

Total Identified members: 19

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 19

Section Officers: Chairman - MOLLIE SIEGEL 7/58
Org. Sect. - ELSIE MONJAR 7/58
Sect. Exec.
Comm. Chairman SID HARRIS 7/58

Clubs within the section: (1) Centinela Club

Informants providing coverage:

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CENTINELA CLUB OR 46 A.D. CLUB (This is the only Club in the Section; three former Clubs have been consolidated)

Total Identified members: 19

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 19

Club Officers: Chairman -
Secretary -

MOLLIE SIEGEL 7/58
ELSIE MONJAR
SID HARRIS

Club Members:

SID HARRIS 7/58
MOLLIE SIEGEL "
BALILLA IORIO "
SALVATORE IORIO "
LARRY PACIFICO "
OLA PACIFICO "
JEAN STARK "
SALLY CHRIS S "
HARRIET ROTH "
MARTHA AYRES "

STEPHANIE PEARLSTEIN 7/58
JACK ROSE "
ELSIE MONJAR "
RUTH POLLOCK "
JOHN ROSENBLATT "
ANN TROJAN "
JIMMY GOLDBERG "
MILDRED GREENLEE "
GERTRUDE HODESS "

Informants providing coverage:

COMPTON SECTION

Total Identified members: 28

Total Tentative members: 3

Total: 31

Section Officers: Chairman --- ELIZABETH WILLIAMS 7/58
Secretary - BETTY SAZER 7/58

Clubs within the Section: (1) Watts Club
(2) Compton Club

Informants providing coverage:



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WATTS CLUB


Total Identified members: 14

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 14

Club Officers: Chairman FRED CANNON 7/58
Organizational Secretary ADELE CANNON 7/58
Educational Director O'NEIL CANNON 7/58
Literature Director MARY FOSTER

Club Members: ELIZA ALLEN 7/58
JAMES ALLEN 7/58
HELIJA BOOTH 7/58
ISAAC CAINES 7/58
LOUIS GARDNER 7/58
DOROTHY HEALEY 7/58
LOIS KING 7/58
LA RUE MC CORMICK 7/58
GENE REED 7/58
ALFRED WILLIAMS 7/58
ELIZABETH WILLIAMS 7/58
CHARLES ZEAVEN 7/58
JOHN WILLIAMS 7/58
DOROTHY WILLIAMS 7/58

Informants providing coverage: 

COMPTON CLUB

Total Identified members: 14

Total Tentative members: 3

Total: 17

Club Officers: Chairman TINY KNOX 7/58
Organizational Sect. JEAN KATZ 7/58
Literature Director NORMA BELL 7/58

Club Members:

IRVING SNIDER	7/58	BETTY SAZER	7/58
JANE FREEMAN	7/58	FRANKIE SELTZER	7/58
DOROTHY KYKYRI	7/58	MARGE MILNE	7/58
JEAN KATZ	7/58	RAY BASS	7/58
EDDIE MC DOWELL	7/58	HORACE ALEXANDER	7/58
TINY KNOX	7/58		
HADASSAH SNIDER	7/58		
HELEN NEFF	7/58		
JENNIE ALEXANDER	7/58		

Informants providing coverage:

TENTATIVE MEMBERS OF COMPTON SECTION, COMPTON CLUB

JENNIE SHERMAN
STAN SHERMAN
THERESA JACKSON

EAST HOLLYWOOD SECTION

Total Identified members: 20

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 20

Section Officers: Chairman - WILLIAM WALLACE TALBOT, 7/58
Financial Secretary - MARJORIE SIEGE, 11/57
Educational Director - ELIZABETH SEARLE, 4/58
Delegate to District Council - WILLIAM
WALLACE TALBOT

Known Clubs within the section: (1) Crispus Attacks

Informants providing coverage:

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Members of East Hollywood Section - Club
Assignments Unknown:

SOPHIE WEATHERWAX, 8/57
WILLIAM WALLACE TALBOT, 7/58
MARJORIE SIEGE, 11/57
ELIZABETH SEARLE, 4/58
DOROTHY FOREST, 7/58
JOHN BOVINGTON, 10/57
GLORIA EDINGER, 11/57
MARY GOLDSTEIN, 10/57
LEONARD GOODMAN, 10/57
AMELIA LIBART, 10/57
BLANCHE SPINDEL, 4/58
MAX SPINDEL, 9/57
MARVIN GRAYSON, 10/57
SADIE DOROSHKIN TOMPKIN, 10/57
EVELYN BURKETT, 6/57
MOLLIE GOSMAN, 10/57
SYLVIA MESCHES, 11/57
SAM ADAMS, 11/57
HELEN PLOTKIN, 7/57
LYDIA COSSACK, 10/57

ECHO PARK SECTION

Total Identified members: 37

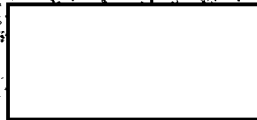
Total Tentative members: 5

Total: 42

Section Officers: Chairman - ELIZABETH SPECTOR 7/58
Membership and Finance Director - DOROTHY CATE " "
Educational Director - RINA EPSTEIN " "
Legislative Director - HENRY SAZER " "
Press Director - ANNA PADILLA " "
District Council Representative - HENRY SAZER and ELIZABETH SPECTOR " "

Clubs within the section: (1) Juan Gomez
(2) Geronimo

Informants providing coverage:



JUAN GOMEZ CLUB

Total Identified members: 18

Total Tentative members: 0

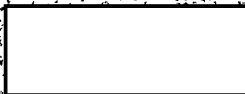
Total: 18

Club Officers: Chairman - FELIX PADILLA 7/58
Press Director - ED ENFIJIAN "
Finance and Membership Director ANNA NACKE "
Education and Literature Director BETTY WILLETT "

Club Members:

GEORGE WILLETT	7/58	JENNIE HIRSCHFELD	7/58
BETTY WILLETT	"	ANNA NACKE	"
MYRTLE STARR	"	SYLVIA LUNDT	"
EDWARD ENFIJIAN	"	STANLEY HENDRICKSON	"
RINA EPSTEIN	"	ERITZ SIMTEL	"
FELIX PADILLA	"	ABE GOLDBERG	"
GERTRUDE BETTS	"	DELVA WENRICH	"
EDWARD SINCLAIR	"	CLARA EUTZ	"
HENRY SAZER	"	BILLIE SIMTEL	"

Informants providing coverage:



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GERONIMO CLUB

Total Identified members: 7

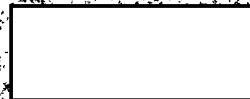
Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 7

Club Officers: Chairman - SOPHIE SIMINOSKI 4/58
Press Director - LUBA PERLIN 4/58
Literature Director - ESTHER SAZER 10/57

Club Members: ELIZABETH SPECTOR 4/58
ANNA PADILLA 4/58
DOROTHY CATE 2/58
HELEN WHITLEY 2/58
SOPHIE SIMINOSKI 4/58
LUBA PERLIN 4/58
ESTHER SAZER 10/57

Informants providing coverage:



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MEMBERS OF ECHO PARK SECTION - CLUB ASSIGNMENTS UNKNOWN

FRANK WHITLEY	2/58	
JACOB LUTZ	2/58	
ETHEL BERTOLINI	2/58	
DAVID ARKIN	2/58	
FRANK SPECTOR	1/58	
ZOLA TALBOT	1/58	
LOU HEIT	6/57	
BECKY HIRSCH	6/57	- tentative
NATHAN HIRSCH	6/57	- tentative
NELLIE REICHMAN	6/57	- tentative
MARGARET FAULKAS	6/57	- tentative
MARTAN TEETER	6/57	- tentative
OGHANA ROSEN	4/58	
SANFORD GOLDNER	4/58	
ANGELO BERTOLINI	4/58	
ISADORE MERLIN	2/58	
MARY MERLIN	3/58	

57TH A.D. SECTION

Total Identified members: 15

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 15

Section Officers: Literature Director - ADA GELERNTER
Delegates to the District Council - DORA SHAPIRO
TILLIE STEIN

Clubs within the section: (1) 57th A.D. Club

Informants providing coverage:



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57TH A.D. CLUB

Total Identified members: 15

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 15

Club Officers: Literature Director - ADA GELERNTER
Delegates to the District Council - DORA SHAPIRO
TILLIE STEIN

Club Members:

REVA ZWOLINSKI	6/58
ALICE SPARKS	4/58
NEMMY SPARKS	4/58
TESSIE BERLAND	4/58
SARAH GILBERT	4/58
DORA SHAPIRO	6/58
ADA GELERNTER	6/58
MAT GELERNTER	3/58
RUTH LOWENKRON	3/58
RAMONA ROTH	3/58
MARVIN ROTH	3/58
SAS LEVINE	2/58
BILL LEVINE	2/58
FANIA BERNSTEIN	2/58
TILLIE STEIN	6/58

Informants providing coverage:



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58th A.D. SECTION

Total Identified members: 14

Total Tentative members: 0

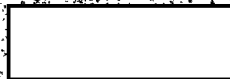
Total: 14

Section Officers:

Representatives to District Council - ARTHUR VOGEL 6/58
JERA ATTINSKY 7/58

Clubs within the section: None

Informants providing coverage:



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THE FOLLOWING ARE MEMBERS OF THE 58th A.D. SECTION,
ASSIGNMENTS UNKNOWN:

FRANK ALEXANDER	6/57
GARY ALEXANDER	6/57
LILLIAN ALEXANDER	6/57
MILDRED ALEXANDER	6/57
HARRIET ALTSCHUL	8/57
ROSE ATINSKY	4/58
ALBERT GOSTON	6/57
MORTON GOSTON	6/57
CELIA GRAY	6/57
MARGARET JENKIN	6/57
RUTH LOWENKRON	6/57
SHIRLEY SILVERSTEIN	6/57

HARBOR SECTION

Total Identified members: 35*

Total Tentative members: 5

Total: 40

Section Officers: Section Organizer - CHICKIE UTRECHT
Organizational Secretary - ALICE DICK
Membership Secretary - BOB DICK
Financial " - BOB DICK
Press Director - PAUL PIERCE
Educational Director - ELI LAX
Legislative " - MIKE GOLDENBERG

Clubs within the section: (1) Long Beach
(2) Far East
(3) Lakewood Plaza
(4) Lakewood Center

*DAVE KASHINSKY - Member-At-Large, 7/58

Informants providing coverage:



LONG BEACH CLUB

Total Identified members: 8

Total Tentative members: 1

Total: 9

Club Officers: Chairman - VIVIAN SMITH
Finance Director and Section Council
Representative - ANN SMITH

Club Members: CHICKIE UTRECHT - 7/58
VIVIAN SMITH - 7/58
ANN SMITH - 7/58
MARTIN SRAMEK - 1/58
LILLIAN SRAMEK - 1/58
PAUL PIERCE - 7/58
BARBARA MORELL - 1/58
ROSE ARIAN - 1/58
CLARENCE SIMO - 1/58 (tentative)

Informants providing coverage:



FAR EAST CLUB

Total Identified members: 8

Total Tentative members: 1

Total: 9

Club Officers: Chairman - HELEN TURNER (representative to
Section Council)
Financial Secretary - CONNIE MORENO
Representative to Section Council - ALBERT LOYA

Club Members: HELEN TURNER - 7/58
RANDOLPH TURNER - 7/58
CONNIE MORENO - 7/58
HOPE BUSEY - 7/58
JIM BUSEY - 7/58
ALBERT LOYA - 7/58
VICTORIA LOYA - 7/58
ROBERT PIKE - 7/58
CASTLE I. HENDERSON - 7/58 (tentative)

Informants providing coverage:



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LAKENOOD PLAZA CLUB

Total Identified members: 10

Total Tentative members: 2

Total: 12

Club Officers: Chairman - LOU DONNENFIELD
Section Council Representative and
Finance Director - GLORIA KLONSKY
Section Council Representative - BOB DICK

Club Members: LOU DONNENFIELD - 7/58
GLORIA KLONSKY - 7/58
BOB DICK - 7/58
JACK KASHINSKY - 7/58
IRVING SCHLEIMER - 7/58
JEANNETTE LAY - 7/58
BILL MORELL - 7/58
AARON SMITH - 7/58
MAX KLONSKY - 7/58
HENRY UTRECHT - 7/58
RITA (MANDELL) - 1/58 (tentative)
ROSELLE YOUNG - 1/58 (tentative)

Informants providing coverage:



LAKWOOD CENTER CLUB

Total Identified members: 8

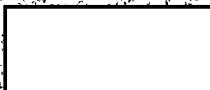
Total Tentative members: 1

Total: 9

Club Officers: Chairman - ELL LAX
Finance Director and Section
Representative - ALICE DICK
Section Council Representative - EDITH MENDEZ

Club Members: ELL LAX - 7/58
ALICE DICK - 7/58
EDITH MENDEZ - 7/58
BELLE KASHINSKY - 7/58
SYLVIA DONNENFIELD - 7/58
PRESTON HILL - 7/58
MIKE GOLDENBERG - 7/58
EDNA GOLDENBERG - 7/58
AL YOUNG - 1/58 (tentative)

Informants providing coverage:



INDUSTRIAL MISCELLANEOUS SECTION

Total Identified members: 13

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 13

Section Officers: DELPHINE SMITH 7/58
LOU PASSIKOFF "
GEORGE SIEGEL " (No specific positions
JESSIE JOSEPHSON " assigned)
ART HAENDLE "

Clubs within the Section: (1) Steel Club
(2) United Auto Workers Club
(3) Machinists Club
(4) Warehousemen's Club
(5) Miscellaneous Club

Informants providing coverage:



STEEL CLUB

Total Identified members: 2

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 2

Club Officers: Unknown

Club Members: VIC SAZER 7/58
CLAYTON YOUNG 7/58

UNITED AUTO WORKERS CLUB

Total Identified members: 5

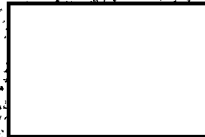
Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 5

Club Officers: Chairman and Delegate to District Council - RAY BROWN 7/58
Organizational Secretary LARRY JENKINS 7/58

Club Members: RAY BROWN 7/58
BOB BURNS 7/58
LARRY JENKINS #
MARTON TEETER #
ARTIE JONES #

Informants providing coverage:



MACHINISTS CLUB

Total Identified members: 1

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 1

Club Officers: Unknown

Club Members: PIERRE MANDEL 7/58

WAREHOUSEMEN'S CLUB

Total Identified members: 1

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 1

Club Officers: Chairman - ART HAENDLE 7/58

Club members:

MISCELLANEOUS CLUB

Total Identified members: 1

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 1

Club Officers: Chairman - JESSIE JOSEPHSON 7/58

Club Members:

MORANDA SMITH SECTION

Total Identified members: 66

Total Tentative members: 3

Total: 69

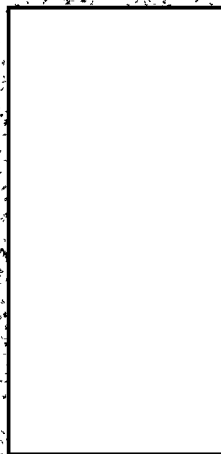
Section Officers:

Chairman	ELIZABETH RICARDO	7/58
Organizational Secretary	DON MATSUDA	"
Membership-Financial Secy.	EDITH BARRY	"
Educational and Literature Director	MIMI ALEXANDER	"
Legislative Director	BILL TAYLOR	"
Press Director	BILL JAMES	"
Negro Affairs Rep.	CLARA JAMES	"

Clubs within the section:

- (1) Aaron Johnson Club
- (2) Anita Whitney Club (aka. West Jefferson #2 Club)
- (3) Unnamed club
- (4) West Adams Club
- (5) West Jefferson #1 Club

Informants providing coverage:



AARON JOHNSON CLUB

Total Identified members: 14

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 14

Club Officers:	Chairman	WILLIAM O'NEILL	7/58
	Financial Secretary	ANITA ROSTODHA	"
	Educational Director	MARGUERITE PHILLIPS	7/58
	Literature Director	FRANK WHITTAKER	7/58
	Press Director	STELLA BIBER	7/58
	Co-Press Director	EVA MAE KOCH	7/58

Club Members:

OZIE FERNICE BOONE	7/58
EARL VAN SANT	7/58
ELIZABETH RICARDO	7/58
SHEFFA GOLDA GOLDMAN	7/58
IRVING ALFRED HALL	7/58
BELLA ALLEN HALL	7/58

Informants providing coverage:



ANITA WHITNEY CLUB (aka. West Jefferson #2 Club)

Total Identified members: 11

Total Tentative members: 0

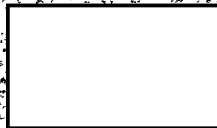
Total: 11

Club Officers: Chairman YVONNE BROWN 7/58
Org. Sec. and Press Dir. MANNY KRAUSE 7/58
Education and Lit. Dir. CHARLOTTE SCHATZ 7/58

Club Members:

EDDIE BARRETT 7/58
FANIA BERNSTEIN "
YVONNE BROWN "
CLARA MARY JAMES "
EMANUEL KRAUSE "
PAUL KUSNITZ "
ROSE KUSNITZ "
ANNE MARGARET MC TERNAN "
PETTIS PERRY "
DANIEL JAMES PIERSON "
CHARLOTTE SCHATZ "

Informants providing coverage:



UNNAMED CLUB

Total Identified members: 15

Total Tentative members: 0

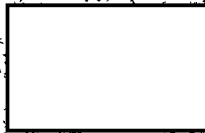
Total: 15

Club Officers: Chairman NANCY LUND 7/58
Educational Director GENE SERENO 7/58

Club Members:

NANCY LUND 7/58
LILLIAN HUNT "
HENRY BIEER "
MARY VOLZ "
VIRGINIA MAC NAIR "
ROSE WARNER "
GENE SERENO "
SYEWIA YOUNG "
ELEANOR SMITH "
BARBARA NESTOR "
MARJORIE GIBSON "
CARL KOCH "
CHASTON ROSTODHA "
WILLIE H. HERRON "
FLORENCE LEAH HOWARD "

Informants providing coverage:



WEST ADAMS CLUB

Total Identified Members: 13

Total Tentative Members: 3

Total: 16

Club Officers:	Acting Chairman	EUNICE GREEN	7/58
	Acting Fin. Secy.	MINI MOSLEY	7/58
	Acting "pw" Director	ETHEL BISKAR	7/58
	Acting Educ. Director	COY BUTLER	7/58

Club Members:

EDITH HOFFMAN BARRY	7/58	CHARLENE ALEXANDER MITCHELL	7/58
ETHEL HOFFMAN BISKAR	7/58	WILLIAM HERNANDES MITCHELL	7/58
IDA JANE BISKAR (tentative)	7/58	CHARLES HENRY MOSLEY, JR.	7/58
CHARLENE BUTLER	7/58	MARTAN MOSLEY	7/58
COY BUTLER	7/58	ANDRE MC GRIFF (tentative)	7/58
EUNICE GREEN	7/58	ED WARD	7/58
MORRIS GREENBERG (tentative)	7/58	LEE KARR	7/58
REVA ANN HAENDLE	7/58		
BARBARA MASTERS	7/58		

Informants providing coverage:



WEST JEFFERSON #1 CLUB

Total Identified members: 14

Total Tentative members: 0

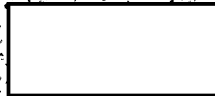
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Club Officers: Chairman WALTER GRACE 7/58
Organizational Secretary HURSEL ALEXANDER 7/58
Educ. and Lit. Director SHIRLEY TAYLOR 7/58
Press Director BILL JAMES 7/58

Club Members:

ETHEL ALEXANDER	7/58	CAROLYN MATSUDA	7/58
HURSEL WILLIAM ALEXANDER	7/58	DON MATSUDA	7/58
MIRIAMBEL ALEXANDER	7/58	ROSE PERRY	7/58
ANNA CHERNICK	7/58	CONRAD HENRY STOJEW	7/58
SANDRA LEE GLADSTONE	7/58	MARVA MURIEL STOJEW	7/58
WALTER GRACE	7/58	SHIRLEY NANCY TAYLOR	7/58
WILLIAM E. JAMES	7/58	WILLIAM COTTLE TAYLOR	7/58

Informants providing coverage:



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NEEDLE TRADES SECTION

Total Identified members: 3

Total Tentative members: 5

Total: 8

Section Officers: Chairman - BEN KARR
Delegates to District Council - SOPHIE SILVER
BERNICE MILLER
HENRY

Clubs within the section: Two clubs in section

Informants providing coverage:



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The following are tentative members of the Needle
Trades Section, club assignment unknown:

SARAH DORNER	1/58
ANNA LEVIN	"
ROSE SPECTOR	"
GISHA RESNICK	"
CHARLES GLADSTONE	"
BERNICE MELLER HENRY	"

ORANGE COUNTY SECTION

Total Identified members: 14

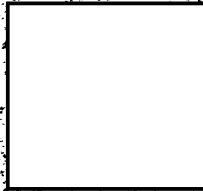
Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 14

Section Officers: Chairman - BERT DUGDALE
Section Delegate to the District
Council - TED KNOWLTON

Clubs within the section: (1) Orange County Club

Informants providing coverage:



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ORANGE COUNTY CLUB

Total Identified members: 14

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 14

Club Officers: Acting chairman - HELEN DUGDALE
Secretary and Treasurer - RUTH KNOWLTON

Club Members: BERT DUGDALE 7/58
HELEN DUGDALE "
TED KNOWLTON "
RUTH KNOWLTON "
THELMA LEDBETTER "
GORDON LEDBETTER "
RUTH HOOKS "
MARGARET MOSS "
BEATRICE FRENCH "
FRIEDA ZAKAR "
MORRIS ZAKAR "
DENA TRAINER "
JACK MILLER "
VERNA LANGER "

Informants providing coverage:



PASADENA SECTION

Total Identified members: 7

Total Tentative members: 0

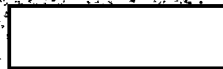
Total: 7

Section Officers: Chairman and Section Delegate to
the SCDCP Council - ANN BYLER

Alternate Section Delegate to the
SCDCP Council - VIOLET ORR

Clubs within the section: (1) Pasadena

Informants providing coverage:



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PASADENA CLUB

Total Identified members: 7

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 7

Club Officers: Chairman - ANN BYLER
(No other club officers as all of club's business handled by ANN BYLER)

Club Members: ALBERT ELLIOTT BYLER (8/1/58)
MARGARETE HALLER BYLER, was. Ann Byler (8/1/58)
ANITA FEINBLATT (8/1/58)
JOY MC NICHOLS "
PAUL WRIGHT ORR "
VIOLET MAY ORR "
JANE LOUISE TRIVERS (8/1/58)

Informants providing coverage:

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PROFESSIONAL - CULTURAL

Total Identified members: 8

Total Tentative members: 2

TOTAL: 10

Section Officers: LEON PATE)
MURRAY ABOWITZ) exact positions unknown

Clubs within the Section: (1) Teachers
(2) Lawyers
(3) Scientists and Engineers

Informants providing coverage:



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TEACHERS CLUB

Club Officers: Unknown

Club Members: Unknown

Informants providing coverage: None

LAWYERS CLUB

Total Identified members: 0

Total Tentative members: 2

Total: 2

Club Officers: Unknown

Club Members: BEN MARGOLIS (tentative)
JOHN T. McFERRAN (tentative)

Informants providing coverage: None

SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS CLUB

Total Identified members: 8

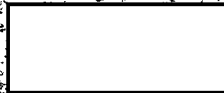
Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 8

Club Officers: Chairman - LEON PAPE
Secretary - NAOMI BRICKMAN
Literature Director - FLORENCE GOODMAN

Club Members: LEON PAPE
BERNIE BRICKMAN
FLORENCE GOODMAN
GAL GOODMAN
MURRAY ABOWITZ
PAUL KUSNETZ
NAOMI BRICKMAN
RUBIN BRANEMAN

Informants providing coverage:



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SAN BERNARDINO-RIVERSIDE SECTION

Total Identified members: 27

Probable members: 2

Total: 29

Section Officers: Chairman (of San Bernardino-Riverside Counties CP) - HOWARD G. LOUKS - 7/58

Delegate (San Bernardino-Riverside Club) - MARGARET STICKNEY - 7/58

Delegate and Assistant Literature Director - MAYNARD ALLEN - 7/58

Delegate from Ontario CP Club - ELLIE LONOW - 7/58

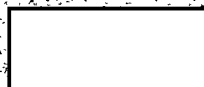
PW Fund Director and Delegate from Elsinore CP Club - A. C. ROGERS - 7/58

Literature Director - RUTH BRENT - 7/58

Financial Secretary - GIBSON HICKS - 7/58

Clubs within the section: (1) San Bernardino-Riverside CP Club
(2) Ontario CP Club
(3) Elsinore CP Club

Informants providing coverage:



SAN BERNARDINO-RIVERSIDE CP CLUB

Total Identified members: 12

Total Tentative members: 1

Total: 13

Club Officers: Chairman - JOSEPH MARTINEZ (7/58)
Financial Secretary - GIBSON HICKS (7/58)
Educational Director - BEATRICE DAVIS (7/58)

Club Members: HELEN WEINGAST (7/58)
WILLIAM J. NELSON (7/58)
BRADDIE CRUTCHFIELD (7/58)
MARGARET CASEY (7/58)
DAVID CASEY (7/58)
MARPHA CONNER (7/58)
JOHN DAVIS (7/58)
HOWARD G. LOUKS (7/58)
DOROTHY KATZ (3/58)

(LOUKS is chairman of the San Bernardino-Riverside
Counties CP Committee; MARGARET CASEY is a delegate to it)
LORRAINE ALLEN JENNINGS (tentative)

Informants providing coverage:



ONTARIO CP CLUB

Total Identified members: 10

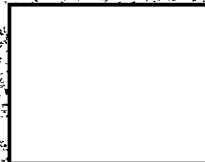
Total Tentative members: 2

Total: 12

Club Officers: Chairman - MAYNARD DALE ALLEN (7/58)
Delegate to County Committee - ELLIS LONOW (6/58)

Club Members: ROSA LONOW (6/58)
REGINA ALLEN (6/58)
ALBERT J. BROWN (Tentative)
ROSE OFFNER (5/58)
LAURA CHARNEY (4/58)
NATHAN SAMAROFF - presently away on trip.
SYLVIA SAMAROFF " " " "
MINNIE BENDER (7/58)
ISIDORE STEIN (12/57)
ESTHER STEIN (Tentative)

Informants providing coverage:



ELSTON CP CLUB

Total Identified members: 5

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 5

Club Officers: Chairman - RUTH BRENT, 7/58

Club Members: JAMES MC-GOWAN (sick leave) (7/28/58)
ETHEL MC GOWAN (sick leave) "
JOHN WILSON "
A. C. ROGERS "
RUTH BRENT "

Informants providing coverage:

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SAN GABRIEL SECTION

Total Identified members: 13

Total Tentative members: 13

Total: 26

Section Officers: (NOTE: Only one club in this Section; and Club Officers, listed below, are in effect; Section Officers)

Club Officers:

Chairman -	ADELIA EVA LARGE	7/58
Treasurer -	AGNES HARSKI	"
Educational Director -	BERNARD FEYER	"
Representative to District Council -	DOROTHY RUTH SARNOFF	7/58

Clubs within the Section: (1) San Gabriel Valley Club

Informants providing coverage:



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SAN GABRIEL CLUB

Total Identified members: 13

Total Tentative members: 11

Total: 24

Club Officers: Chairman -
Treasurer -
Educational Director -
Representative to
District Council

ADELIA EVA LARGE 7/58
AGNES BARSKI "
BERNARD FEYER "

DOROTHY RUTH SARNOFF 7/58

Club Members:

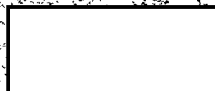
Active

DOROTHY RUTH SARNOFF 7/58
DOROTHY BRAUDE "
NARON BRAUDE "
ADELIA EVA LARGE "
WESLEY ALEXANDER BISSEY "
JAMES ALBERT PITT "
BERNARD FEYER "
PAUL GEORGE STEUBEN "
NARBUTT STANLEY BARSKI "
AGNES BARSKI "

Inactive

LORIS ZIMMERMAN 7/58
JANE STEWART MAURER 7/58
LILLIAN JACKSON 7/58

Informants providing coverage:



TENTATIVE MEMBERS OF SAN GABRIEL SECTION

LEWIS PASSIKOFF	3/58
CHARLOTTE PASSIKOFF	"
MARY LOIS NEWMAN	4/58
EDITH PAPE	9/57
LEO POTEAL	10/57
RACHAEL POTEAL	3/58
JESSE JONES SHELTON	5/57
BEATRICE ARENA	9/57
CARL ARENA	9/57
ELEANOR F. DODGE	6/57
EVELYN K. KROME	11/57
ROBERT WALTER LARGE	1/58
VIVIAN BISSEY	5/57

SANTA BARBARA-VENTURA CLUB

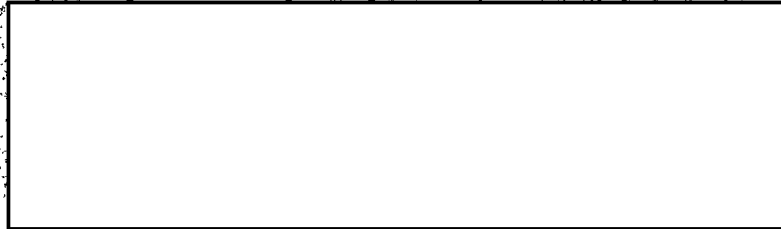
Total Identified members: 6

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 6

Club Officers: Organizer and Treasurer - WILLIAM ISBELL
Education Officer - KEN WILKINS
Secretary - MARY WESSELHOERT

Club Members:



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Informants providing coverage: Santa Barbara-Ventura -



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SANTA BARBARA-VENTURA SECTION

Total Identified members: 6

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 6

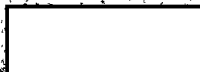
Section Officers:



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Clubs within the section: (1) Santa Barbara-Ventura
(One club constitutes section)

Informants providing coverage:



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21ST C.D. SECTION

Total Identified members: 18

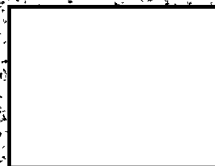
Total Tentative members: 21

Total: 39

Section Officers: Chairman - MURRAY NAIDICH (7/58)

Clubs within the section: (1) Burbank Club
(2) Industrial Club
(3) North Hollywood Club
(4) Pacoima Club

Informants providing coverage:



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BUREAU CLUB

Total Identified members: 11

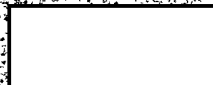
Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 11

Club Officers: Chairman - MURRAY NAIDICH (5/58)
Literature Director - FRANKLIN BEYEA (5/58)
PW Director - MILDRED REED (5/58)

Club Members: NASHA BEYEA (5/58)
ADELINE NAIDICH "
EVERETT REED "
MILDRED SELDON "
JOHN PATTERSON "
LILLIAN LITSKY "
BERNICE STEELE "
MEME MC KAY (3/58)

Informants providing coverage:



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INDUSTRIAL CLUB

Total Identified members: 7

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 7

Club Officers: Chairman - PAUL GARDNER (7/58)

Club Members: MAE GARDNER (7/58)
LOU GIBBONS "
LOLA GIBBONS "
WILLIAM BELTON "
MARY BELTON "
HARRY APPLETON "

Informants providing coverage:

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The following individuals are tentative members
within the 21st C.D. Section, club unknown:

PETER BEEKES	5/58
HENDRICKA BEEKES	5/58
HELEN GAVRON	7/57
JOE GAVRON	7/57
IRV HALPERN	7/57
MAX LOVE	5/58
ART SAVAGE	3/58
MIRIAM SAVAGE	3/58
HELEN WAKEFIELD	3/58
RICHARD WAKEFIELD	3/58
FREDERIC HIRSCH	7/58
VIRGINIA HIRSCH	7/58
MILIT MANKOFF	7/57
LIL MANKOFF	7/57
CHARLES NICHAMEN	5/57
ESTHER PALO	5/57
JOSEPH SELDON	4/57
RAE SINCHER	4/57
SAM SINCHER	4/57
KEN BURGESS	7/58
MAGGIE CARL BURGESS	7/58

22nd C.D. SECTION

Total Identified members: 3

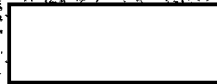
Total Tentative members: 4

Total: 7

Section Officers: Chairman - MAX STEINBERG 7/58

Known Clubs within the section: (1) 22nd C.D. Club

Informants providing coverage:



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22nd C.D. CLUB

Total Identified members: 2

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 2

Club Officers: Chairman: FANNIE GOLOS 7/58

Club Members: MORRIS GOLOS 7/58

Informants providing coverage:

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The following are tentative members within the
22nd C.D. Section, Club unknown:

JEANNETTE KOVNER	5/58
JULIUS KOVNER	5/58
JOSEPH SINGER	8/57
CHARLES SWANHUYSER	4/57

WESTERN SECTION

Total Identified members: 87

Total Tentative members: --

Total: 87

Section officers: Chairman - COHEN, DAN, 7/58
Organizational Secretary - ZANGER, LEONIE L.,
7/58
Press Director - FANTAUZZO, VINCENT, 7/58
Educational Director - KAGAN, MILTON SAMUEL,
7/58

Clubs within the section: (1) Santa Monica Club
(2) Venice Club
(3) Labor Club
(4) Jewish Club
(5) Culver Club
(6) Sawtelle Club

Informants providing coverage:



SANTA MONICA CLUB

Total Identified members: 12

Total Tentative members: 3

Total: 15

Club Officers: Rotating Club Chairmen - BLOOM, GOLDIE L., 7/58
GRANN, ORA LEE, 7/58
WALTERS, MILDRED, 7/58

Organizational Secretary - GRANN, ORA LEE, 7/58
Press Director - WALTERS, MILDRED, 7/58

Club members:

COHEN, FRANCES DEVITO, 7/58
BLOOM, GOLDIE L., 7/58
FANTAUZZO, VINCENT, 7/58
McLAUGHLIN, GOLDIE, 7/58
ALARIO, WANDA, 7/58
PIERCE, HARRY, 7/58
HAWES, BALDWIN, 7/58
HAWES, BESS, 7/58
SIMPSON, FAYE, 7/58
MAVROS, ESTHER, 7/58 (suspected)
NORTON, WILLIAM W., 12/57 (suspected)
NORTON, BETTY, 12/57 (suspected)

Informants providing coverage:



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VENICE CLUB

Total Identified members: 8

Total Tentative members: 1

Total: 9

Club Officers: Chairman - RALPH H. HALL, 7/58
Organizational Secretary - ROSALIND KRANEN, 7/58

Club members:

MEYER KESSLER, 7/58
SAMUEL MILLER, 7/58
CHARLES J. MIDDLEBROCK, 7/58
JANET RIGGS, 7/58
LEONIE ZANGER, 7/58
JOHN FRANK KRANEN, 7/58
CARRIE B. GAINES (suspect member), 7/58

Informants providing coverage:

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LABOR CLUB

Total Identified members: 10

Total tentative members: 0

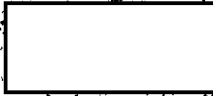
Total: 10

Club Officers: Chairman - ALARIO, ROSARIO, 7/58
Organizational Secretary - KAGAN, MILTON SAMUEL, 7/58
Literature Director - LIEBMAN, AARON, 7/58
Press Director - GRANN, ZEKE, 7/58

Club Members:

BURSTEIN, GATHA MAE, 7/58
BURSTEIN, JACK, 7/58
COHEN, DANIEL FRANCIS, 7/58
MARTINEZ, EDWARD, 7/58
SNIDERMAN, CAROL, 7/58
SNIDERMAN, JOSEPH, 7/58

Informants providing coverage:



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JEWISH CLUB

Total Identified members: 3

Total Tentative members: 3

Total: 6

Club Officers:

Club members:

BERMAN, LIBBY, 7/58
GOLDSTEIN, HARRY, 7/58
MELOMEDOW, FANNIE, 7/58

LAKIN, FRANK (tentative)
LAKIN, LENA S. (tentative)
VOLMAN, FANNIE (tentative)

Informants providing coverage: None

CULVER CLUB

Total Identified members: 11

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 11

Club Officers: Chairman - ELAINE SNIDERMAN, 1/58

Club Members:

LOTKER, JOSEPH, 1/58
LOTKER, EVELYN, 7/58
MIDLER, FRANCES, 4/58
ELBER, MAE, 4/58
LOTKER, AARON, 1/58
LOTKER, IDA, 1/58
GROSS, ANNA, 1/58
MARTINEZ, KATIE, 7/58
CAHN, ABRAHAM, 7/58
CAHN, ESTHER, 7/58

Informants providing coverage:

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WESTERN SECTION

Club assignment unknown:

KRUPIN, NATHAN, 2/58
KRUPIN, ANNA, 2/58
HECHT, MINNIE, 5/57
SCHULER, DOROTHY, 5/57
MILLER, ARTHUR, 5/57
MILLER, ELLEN, 5/57
SCHACK, NORA, 5/57
SCHACK, DAVE, 4/58
MELLON, DINAH, 5/57
LEBOW, PHYLLIS, 5/57
LEBOW, JEROME, 5/57
LEPOWSKY, FLORENCE, 5/57
LEPOWSKY, ROBERT, 5/57
PENNES, ROSE, 5/57
ALSO, HELEN, 5/57
ROBINSON, ANITA, 5/57
PROKOP, JAKUB, 5/57
WILEY, JUDY DUNKS, 4/58

LUDEL, RUTH, 4/58
LUDEL, LEONARD, 5/57
GILBERT, PAULINE, 5/57
BASKIN, JACK, 5/57
BASKIN, VIRGINIA, 6/57
SCHECHTER, ALICE, 5/57
GOLDMAN, SAMUEL, 6/57
GOLDMAN, LEONORE, 5/57
GOLDMAN, SEYMOUR, 5/57
GRAY, JULIETTE, 5/57
MIDLER, FRANCES, 4/57
NEPOVE, BERTHA, 4/57
KARSON, ROBERT MORRIS, 5/57
DAVIDSON, LESTER EARL, 6/57
LISHNER, ARTHUR HARRY, 7/57
RUBIN, SYLVIA, 7/57
RUBIN, WILLIAM, 12/57
GORDON, FRANKLIN, 7/57

WHITTIER SECTION

Total Identified members: 26

Total Tentative Members: 7

Total: 33

Section Officers: Chairman - (there are three individuals who rotate as chairman)
ESTELLE SHIRLEY PARNESS
MORRIS SHAPIRO
DALE ALICE WEISS

Organizational Secretary (consists of a committee, no chairman has been selected)

ESTELLE PARNESS
MORRIS SHAPIRO
MARY LOU MENDEZ
ESTHER CROWLEY

Literature Director - OLIVE STEIN

Educational Director - NORMA LITMAN

Mass Organizations Director - JUNE SONYA RIAVE

"PW" Director - FRANCES MATHEWS

Section Delegate to the District Council -
VIVIAN WALLENS

Clubs within the section: (1) Whittier

Informants providing coverage:

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WHITTIER CLUB

Total Identified members: 26

Total Tentative members: 7

Total: 33

Club Officers: Chairman (there are three individuals who rotate as chairman)

ESTELLE SHIRLEY PARNESS

MORRIS SHAPIRO

DALE ALICE WEISS

Organizational Secretary (consists of a committee, no chairman has been selected)

ESTELLE PARNESS

MORRIS SHAPIRO

MARY LOU MENDEZ

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Literature Director - OLIVE STEIN

Educational Director - NORMA LITMAN

Mass Organizations Director - JUNE SONYA RIAVE

"PW" Director - FRANCES MATHEWS

Section Delegate to the District Council -

VIVIAN VALLENS

Club Members:

ALVAREZ, EDALINDA (tentative)

BOOK, BARBARA ANGELINA (tentative)

BORUNDA, OTILIA H. (tentative)

COLE, LILLIAN

CROWLEY, ESTHER HELEN

DAVIDSON, CLARA BERMAN (tentative)

GOLDBERG, BEATRICE

GONZALES, JOYCE HILDA

HEALEY, EVELYN SHEVY

MATHEWS, FRANCES

LITMAN, NORMA

MENDEZ, MARY LOU

PARNESS, ESTELLE

PARNESS, JACOB

REINER, MAITZE

REINER, THEODORE

RIAVE, LEONARD HAROLD

RIAVE, JUNE SONYA

RIAVE, SAM (tentative)

SAVAGE, CHESTER

SCHIMBERG, ARNOLD MARTIN

SHAPIRO, MORRIS

SHAPIRO, MATALE ELENE

STEIN, OLIVE

TANKIN, HAROLD

TANKIN, RITA RACHELLE

VALLENS, LEON

VALLENS, VIVIAN

WALKER, VIVIAN DOROTHY

(tentative)

WEISS, DALE ALICE

WILSON, JOHN HARLAN

WILSON, HARRIET

HOLLANDER, HOWARD RAYMOND

(tentative)

Informants providing coverage:



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ZAPATA SECTION

Total Identified members: 39

Total Tentative members: 3

Total: 42

Section Officers: Organizer - AURELIO ALDEZNA 7/58
Educational Director - NAOMI BLAIR "
Secretary-Treasurer - ARVILLA JACKSON "
Sect. Rept. to Dist. Council - SOL MONROY "
Alternate " " " NAOMI BLAIR "

Clubs within the section: (1) Hidalgo
(2) Juarez
(3) Joe Hill (Daytime)

Informants providing coverage:



HIDALGO CLUB

Total Identified members: 12

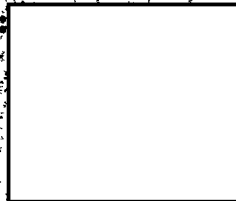
Total Tentative members: 2 *

Total: 14

Club Officers: Chairman - ELLIE HENRICKSON 7/58
Secretary-Treas. - EMILY ALDEZMA 7/58
Educational Dir. - (none)
PW Director - JACK ROSALES 7/58

Club Members: AURELIO ALDEZMA 7/58
EMILY ALDEZMA 7/58
SLIM CONNELLY 7/58
GRACE DAVIS 7/58
* ARCHIE GILLETTE 7/58
ELLIE HENRICKSON 7/58
SOL MONROY 7/58
ESTHER REED 7/58
JACK ROSALES 7/58
RAY SALDIVAR 7/58
* GERTRUDE STOUGHTON 7/58
DELFINO VARELA 7/58
JOSEPHONE YANEZ 7/58
JENNY RELIX 7/58

Informants providing coverage:



JUAREZ CLUB

Total Identified members: 19

Total Tentative members: 1 *

Total: 20

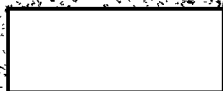
Club Officers:

Chairman and Organizational Secretary	-	OLGA PELAYO	7/58
Secretary-Treasurer	-	DOROTHY MAYR	"
Literature Director	-	NAOMI BLAIR	"
Educational Director	-	CYRIL BRIGGS	"
"People's World" Director	-	VICTOR SUTTON and	7/58
		ANNA MANDELMAN	7/58

Club Members:

NAOMI CLAIRE BLAIR	7/58	BETTE K. LARSON	7/58
CYRIL VALENTINE BRIGGS	7/58	ANNA MANDELMAN	7/58
VINCENT DOERICH	7/58	DOROTHY MAYR	7/58
MAX HYMAN FRISHKOFF	7/58	EDWIN J. NELSON	7/58
DAVID GREEN	7/58	OLGA PELAYO	7/58
ELIZABETH MARY HOLMES	7/58	BENJAMIN ABRAHAM	
FITZ HOUSTON	7/58	ROTHMAN	7/58
ARVELLA GREATOREX		RAY WHITE SCOTT	7/58
JACKSON	7/58	* FRANK ERROL SPECTOR	7/58
FRANK BENJAMIN JORDAN	7/58	HERMANN NICHOLAUS	
ADOLPH KNUTE LARSON	7/58	STEFFENS	7/58
		HERBERT VICTOR SUTTON	7/58

Informants providing coverage:



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JOE HILL (Daytime) CLUB

Total Identified members: 8

Total Tentative members: 0

Total: 8

Club Officers:

Chairman	THELMA BRAZEE	7/58
Secretary - Treasurer	MATILDA TOLLY	7/58
Educational Director	RALPH MATTHEWS	7/58

Club Members:	FRED ARELLANO	7/58
	THELMA BRAZEE	7/58
	ELVADOR CLAUDE	
	GREENFIELD	7/58
	NELL HIGMAN	7/58
	ANDREW MANDICH	7/58
	RALPH MATHEWS	7/58
	HELENE LEVY POLLACK	7/58
	MATILDA TOLLY	7/58

Informants providing coverage:

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-68)
(100-3-69)

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)

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SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
MEMBERSHIP
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

ReBulet dated 7/8/58.

Attached hereto is a memorandum detailing the organizational structure of the Southern California District, Communist Party (SCDCP) together with the officers and members of the various boards, commissions, sections, and clubs in the SCDCP excluding San Diego.

A recapitulation of the current, active members by sections as reported by live informants is as follows:

Section	Known	Tentative	Total
Beverly-Fairfax	31	--	31
Boyle Heights	35	8	43
Building Trades	16	--	16
Centinela	19	--	19
Compton	28	3	31
East Hollywood	20	--	20
Echo Park	37	5	42
57th A.D.	15	--	15
58th A.D.	14	--	14
Harbor	35	5	40
Industrial Miscellaneous	13	--	13
Moranda Smith	66	3	69

- 4 - Bureau (ENC.-2) (REGISTERED)
② - Los Angeles (100-23933)
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<u>Section</u>	<u>Known</u>	<u>Tentative</u>	<u>Total</u>
Needle Trades	3	5	8
Orange County	14	--	14
Pasadena	7	--	7
Professional - Cultural	8	2	10
San Bernardino - Riverside	27	2	29
San Gabriel	13	13	26
Santa Barbara-Ventura	6	--	6
21st C.D.	18	21	39
22nd C.D.	3	4	7
Western	80	7	87
Whittier	26	7	33
Zapata	39	3	42
Totals	573	88	661

In addition to the above, there are 23 known and 2 suspected members in the San Diego Section for a total of 685 in the entire district.

In connection with the above membership figure of 661, it is noted that this is 261 members less than the 924 members claimed by the Party for Los Angeles County following the last registration conducted during the first six months of 1958. It should be noted that in conducting this survey only current active members were included. It appears from information furnished by confidential informants that during the recent registration some inactive members were registered and many members have dropped since the registration was begun in December, 1957.

It should be further noted that the SCDCP was formed in April, 1957 and since that time has been undergoing an almost constant reorganization. At the present time, it is reported that the 57th and Beverly-Fairfax Sections as well as the 21st and 22nd A.D. Sections are merging, hence, what is a true picture today may be completely changed tomorrow.

Every effort is made to keep abreast of these changes particularly in so far as providing live informant coverage to a given area is concerned. In the past year,

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this Office has been successful in moving informants from sections where coverage is strong to sections where coverage is weak: for example: [redacted]

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In some instances, due to the disorganized state of the party, it takes considerable time to effect such inter-section transfers and it is often a matter of months or even years before transfers from one area to another are "picked up." One such case involved [redacted] who has

[redacted]

It will be noted that coverage cannot be considered adequate in the Needle Trades Section and the Professional - Cultural Section particularly. The Needle Trades Section is composed largely of elderly Jewish members and is difficult to penetrate. At the present time one agent has been assigned to concentrate on this section and various contacts are being made and surveillances conducted to develop potential security informants. [redacted]

[redacted]

In the Professional - [redacted] Section coverage is not deemed adequate although complete coverage is available in the Scientists and Engineers Club. [redacted] who is already a member of the Section is to become a [redacted] this fall and anticipates a transfer into the [redacted] this Section.

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Coverage is also inadequate in the 22nd C.D. Section, however, it is believed this situation is being

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Further efforts to secure membership information have been made by means of anonymous sources. It has been established that no membership records of any kind are maintained at District headquarters. All indications are that CHARLENE MITCHELL, District Administrative Secretary, is the individual maintaining such records, if any. Continued surveillances of MITCHELL have been conducted, however, a very difficult neighborhood situation has precluded the establishment of an anonymous source concerning MITCHELL to date. Efforts are continuing in this regard.

In further efforts to establish complete coverage of CP members, the Los Angeles Office is employing the following aids:

(1) A large map showing the geographic breakdown of the District setting forth by symbol number the informants located in each section. This points up where additional coverage is needed and also assists Agents regarding security and applicant-type reports in readily establishing what sources are available in a given area.

(2) A calendar of forthcoming CP and front group activities to assist Agents in guiding informants, PSIs, and panel sources to appropriate meetings to provide coverage as well as enhance their standing.

(3) A chart approximately 2 feet by 3 feet in size showing the district leadership with a photograph of each district board and council member to assist Agents in surveillances and in making day to day investigations.

The Los Angeles Office is aware of those sections and groups where live informant coverage should be improved and every effort is being made to develop informants or to transfer informants into those areas. Due to the current disorganized state of the party, however, this is a tedious and time consuming task. It is believed that the

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over all informant coverage enjoyed by this Office as attested to by the fact that 12 of the present District Council (which fluctuates in the neighborhood of 50 members) are active informants of this Office for a percentage of approximately 24 per cent. In the over all picture, if the membership figure of 661 current members can be accepted as reasonably accurate, the Los Angeles Office has a percentage of approximately 11.2 per cent informants in the entire CP membership based on the present figure of 75 informants who are members of the CP.

Regardless of the above facts, the aim of this office remains that of securing complete informant coverage in each club and section and on all levels of party organization.

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8/13/58

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-68)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)

SUBJECT: CP, USA
 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT
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[redacted] advises that CHARLENE MITCHELL, Administrative Secretary, Southern California District Communist Party (SCDCP), has stated that membership committees are to be set up in the various SCDCP sections. These committees are to contact members who are still "sitting it out" in order to reactivate them. MITCHELL presumably is referring to members who were not reregistered in the 1958 registration.

- 3 - Bureau (AIR MAIL) (REGISTERED)
- 1 - San Francisco (INFO) (REGISTERED)
- ② - Los Angeles (100-23933) (100-43372 - CINAL)

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SOURCE: [redacted] to SA WILLIAM P. SHEEHAN 8/11/58.

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TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT
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It is contemplated that the same membership figures for Tulare and Fresno Counties (15 members and 5 members respectively) will be utilized in the quarterly report due 10/20/58. In the event the San Francisco Office has more recent figures, the Los Angeles Office should be advised.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES

DATE: 9/25/58

FROM : *JAB* SAC, SAN DIEGO (100-6764)

SUBJECT: CP USA
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT
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Remylet 6/26/58.

The following is an up-to-date summary of estimated membership of the Communist Party in the San Diego Division covering the third quarter of 1958, July 1 through September 30, 1958.

COUNTY	KNOWN CP MEMBERS	SUSPECTED MEMBERS	TOTAL
Imperial	0	0	0
San Diego	<u>23</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>27</u>
TOTAL	23	4	27

The above figures reflect a net increase of two. Actually, according to information furnished by [redacted] and [redacted] to SA [redacted] on September 17, 1958, two former members, FRANK AGLIANO and PHIL USQUIANO have been dropped. Further, informants advised that at the SDCCP meeting August 28, 1958 there was a discussion regarding the formation of a new club to which would be assigned HOWARD and LOLITA GIBSON and MIRIAM and SIGMUND KUSNIERCZYK. New York, by letter August 19, 1958 furnished a photograph of a document which reflected the transfer of MIRIAM and SIGMUND KUSNIERCZYK from "Bedford Styv." to San Diego. In view of the above, the KUSNIERCZYKS have been included in the list of known CP members and the GIBSONS in the list of suspected members. Los Angeles is requested to be alert for any information indicating a transfer for the GIBSONS to San Diego.

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In addition to the above, the informants have advised that plans were initiated to form a new club in the northern part of San Diego County which would be answerable to Los Angeles and be entirely separate from the SDCCP. There are four inactive members in this part of the county and allegedly a fifth who is trying to effect the reorganization. The identity of the fifth person is unknown. The other four are now included in the San Diego membership. Again Los Angeles is requested to be alert for any evidence that this separate club actually exists. It would involve one or more of the following towns: Oceanside, Carlsbad, Vista, Fallbrook, San Marcos, Escondido.

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The following was prepared by SA W. NATHAN PROVINSE.

T-2 advised on October 5, 1958, that there have been no statements issued by the SCDCP, relative to membership, since June, 1958. T-2 advised that at that time, it was announced that 924 members had been registered in Los Angeles County for the year 1958. T-2 stated that nothing has yet been said concerning a registration for the coming year, although such registrations are usually conducted in the late Fall of the preceding year.

The following is a recapitulation of the membership of the SCDCP, based on the 1958 registration:

<u>County</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Source</u>
Los Angeles	924	T-2 (10/5/58)
San Bernardino- Riverside	33	T-35 and T-36 (4/1/58)
Orange	17	T-37 and T-38 (3/25/58)
Santa Barbara- Ventura	6	T-39 (3/25/58)
San Diego	<u>27</u>	T-40 (9/17/58)
Total, SCDCP	1,007	

Following is a recapitulation of membership in the area covered by the Los Angeles Division, excluding San Diego County, but including Fresno and Tulare Counties which fall within the jurisdiction of the Northern California District, CP:

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<u>County</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Source</u>
Los Angeles	924	T-2 (10/5/58)
San Bernardino- Riverside	33	T-35 and T-36 (4/1/58)
Orange	17	T-37 and T-38 (3/25/58)
Santa Barbara- Ventura	6	T-39 (3/25/58)
Tulare	15	T-41 (1/23/58)
Fresno	5	T-41 (1/23/58)
Total, Los Angeles Division	<u>1,000</u>	

Concerning the above figure of 924 members in Los Angeles County, T-2 observed on October 5, 1958, that many members have either dropped or become inactive subsequent to the start of the last registration, in the late Fall of 1957. During July, 1958, a survey of informants who are members of the CP, was conducted to identify all current and active CP members. A composite of the figures furnished by these informants disclosed a total of 661 current members in the SCDCP, not including San Diego. With 27 known current members in San Diego, this would indicate a total of approximately 688 active members in the entire District, as of July, 1958, which is 319 members less than the Party claimed as a result of the 1958 registration.

T-27 advised on August 11, 1958, that CHARLENE MITCHELL, Administrative Secretary, SCDCP, had stated membership committees are to be set up in the various SCDCP Sections. These committees are to contact members who are still "sitting it out", in order to reactivate them. MITCHELL presumably was referring to members who were not reregistered in the 1958 registration.

No information has been received to indicate that such membership committees have been activated.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM -- UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-3-69)
FROM : SAC, Indianapolis (100-11093)
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA ORGANIZATION
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DATE: 4/12/58

Enclosed are copies of report furnished by [redacted] pertaining to a [redacted] of the Communist Party, which was held in Detroit, Michigan on [redacted]. The original report will be maintained in IP file [redacted].

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- 2 - Bureau (RM)
- 3 - Los Angeles (RM)
 - 1 - Ben Dobbs
 - 1 - C.P. Membership
 - 1 - Cominfil U. A. W.
- 3 - Cleveland (RM)
 - 1 - [redacted]
 - 1 - [redacted]
 - 1 - Cominfil U. A. W.
- 2 - Buffalo (RM)
 - 1 - [redacted]
 - 1 - Cominfil U. A. W.
- 9 - Detroit (RM)
 - 1 - Carl Winter
 - 1 - [redacted]
 - 1 - [redacted]
 - 1 - [redacted]
 - 1 - [redacted]
 - 1 - John (LNU), white male, 55, 5'11", 170, reddish graying hair, dark tinted glasses
 - 1 - Charles (Chuck) LNU (has previously attended NAC meetings)
 - 1 - [redacted]
 - 1 - Cominfil U. A. W.
- 1 - New York (RM)
 - 1 - CP Organization
- 2 - Chicago (RM)
 - 1 - Flo Hall
 - 1 - Cominfil U. A.W.
- 7 - Indianapolis
 - 1 - [redacted]
 - 1 - 65-1238 (Vaud Bennett)
 - 1 - 100-11400 (Workers Advance)
 - 1 - 100-11093 (CP Organization)
 - 1 - 100-34740 (CP Membership)
 - 1 - 100-8745 (CP Strategy in Industry)
 - 1 - 100-3924 (Cominfil U. A. W.)

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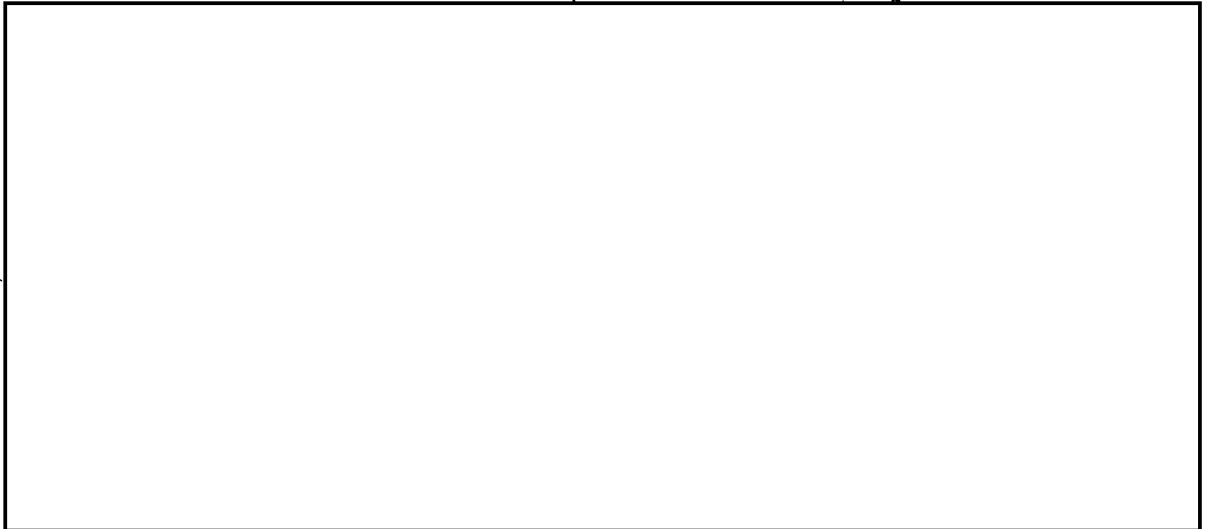
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On [redacted] a meeting of the [redacted]
[redacted] was held at the [redacted]
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Those individuals present at this meeting are set forth below.



The agenda, as set up by the group, consisted of (1) A report of contracts negotiated by the United Auto Workers with the automotive firms, by Carl Winter, followed by a discussion of auto contracts in their particular area by the various individuals in attendance at the meeting; and (2) Organizational discussion.

Carl Winter began the meeting with a report on UAW contracts. Winter pointed out that the contract negotiations between the UAW and the auto manufacturers had been carried on in a very undemocratic manner. He pointed out that Walter Reuther, President of the UAW, a few years ago had call for a short work week. This had been traded off for the guaranteed annual wage then again the short work week had been traded off for the profit sharing plan that was also dropped in negotiations just past. Winter stated that Reuther had thrown both of these out for the non-inflationary wage increase. Winter stated that Reuther had negotiated a severance pay clause in the auto contracts but that the money to pay the severance pay was to be taken out of the supplemental unemployment benefit fund - which provision Reuther had obtained in 1955 from the auto manufacturers. Winter stated that in reality, the auto workers had been bargaining for their own money and that the severance payments could be made only in states where the supplemental unemployment benefits were possible. Even in these states, the severance payments could be made only until the fund got low, when there would be no more payments.

Winter continued that there were one quarter million surplus auto workers in the UAW. In the opinion of Winter, Reuther was moving to drop the unemployed from the local UAW unions. The unemployed would be taken off the local's mailing lists and would not be sent notices of the local meetings. Winter pointed out that this was not new - that John L. Lewis had dropped the unemployed mine workers from the United Mine Workers during the 1930's.

Winter stated that Reuther based his whole thinking on increased production as a social need rather than on a program of getting back for the workers some of the profit in form of wage increases that increased productivity brings the company.

Winter said that at Ford the union committeemen had been reduced by one half and at Chrysler, the number of Committeemen had also been reduced. The UAW International had been lifting grievances out of the local unions and taking them to a higher level for solution. Winter was very emphatic about this. Winter stated that for the first time, the UAW contracts had let the companies interfere in union business. Reuther had let the auto companies strengthen the no strike clauses in favor of the company. Reuther had also let the auto companies put a termination date in the contracts on a strike authorization by the union membership.

Winter continued that Skilled Trades in the UAW had gained a certain amount of autonomy. The movement by the Skilled Trades would be a big help to the workers if it was used in the right way.

He stated that the Communist Party should not urge the members of a particular union to vote "no" on a contract but the individual Party members could join other forces in the local in urging a "no" vote whenever the strength was there.

Winter concluded his remarks by stating that most of the features of the new auto contracts had been in direct violation of the mandate the UAW membership had given to Reuther regarding the guaranteed annual wage, and the short work week.

A discussion was then held concerning the UAW contracts and local problems of the individual members of the National Auto Commission in their particular district.

Ed Locke reported for Ford. Ed Locke stated that 84% of the membership of Local 600 had voted for the Ford contract. However, only about 1/2 of the membership had voted. He stated that Reuther had picked Ford to be first in negotiations since the Ford workers would be the easiest group of workers to which to sell the package deal.

Also, the Ford local had no backlog of grievances. In the negotiations, the Ford company had used pictures of Ford local committeemen coming out of bars during working hours to bring about a reduction in the number of union committeemen. Carl Stellato, head for Ford local 600, had gone along with Walter Reuther. Stellato had told his people to either accept the contract or else go out on strike.

John, who is a laid off worker in Skilled Trades from one of the smaller job shops in Detroit, then stated that all of the UAW contracts made it appear that the UAW was now a company union. He stated that the Skilled Trades, who were only a minority in the UAW, had "shaken the throne" of Reuther. He stated that the Skilled Trades people were militant and had a good program. However, the Skilled Trades had no leadership and in many cases, the Skilled Trades people would not sufficiently support their own demands. He stated that 70% of the skilled work in the auto plants was actually being done in foreign countries.

Vaud Bennett discussed the short work week and the need to publicize it more. He stated that the Party must struggle to gain back the gains which had recently been lost. The Party must have unity to break the bureaucracy in the unions. Bennett raised the question of the advisability of Party members taking union offices. Bennett felt that the Party should try to gain more delegates for the next convention of the UAW. The Party must struggle against having a UAW convention every four years as had been proposed. Bennett said that the Skilled Trades program in the UAW has been unable to gain support in the UAW because the wrong approach is being made to the whole question. He said that Reuther is willing to give away many of the historical propositions that made the CIO possible in order to gain for himself more prestige in the united labor movement.

In other general discussion, it was mentioned that the UAW at American Motors had made a deal with the company to freeze wages for three years. This is dangerous and could set a pattern for the entire industry.

Some of the proposals made to strengthen the UAW - The CP could attempt to get the workers to struggle for local autonomy, for the short work week, for a united front against the McClellan Committee, and to attempt to raise the perspective of the local unions towards socialism. It was agreed that the organization of the militant forces in the unions was not easy and all delegates agreed that there was a great reluctance in the locals to set up a progressive caucus. Union members would meet in union meetings but were very reluctant to meet as progressive groups. There was general agreement that labor leadership were class collaborationists, that Reuther's actions in regard to the auto contracts was subversion and the reasons for the UAW not getting better contracts lay in the growth of bureaucracy in the unions. All agreed that the workers were militant in themselves and that the Negro workers and the unemployed likewise had strong movements organized. Reuther had taken the class collaborationist position because of a "sputnik" attitude - the attitude that the American workers had to catch up with the workers of the Soviet Union.

The individuals at the meeting then discussed the possibility of having some sort of a labor paper. A proposal was advanced that the front page of the Worker be devoted exclusively to news of labor and in this manner the main struggle could be directed against the companies rather than against Reuther.

Winter felt that a labor paper should be non-Party and that progressive trade union leadership could be found to head up such a paper. He wanted the paper to be more progressive than the ordinary labor paper but not to be as far left as "The Worker". There was considerable disagreement on Winter's proposal.

Vaud Bennett stated that the paper should be directed towards the more militant union members - the younger people. The paper should be put out directly by the Party as method of helping build the Party. Ray Haskell and Chuck agreed with Bennett to a certain extent but had minor differences.

Paul Balla pressed Winter for more details concerning the paper. He stated that he did not want another "March of Labor". He agreed with Bennett.

As a result of the disagreement over the type of labor paper that was needed and could be put over, no position was taken on this question.

Ray Haskell and Paul Sporn left before the conclusion of the meeting. Sporn had to get back to Buffalo and indicated that he had to catch a plane.

The meeting broke up at about 7 P.M.

The [redacted] meeting reconvened at 10 A.M. at the [redacted] building. Those present are set forth again below:

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The discussion the second day of the meeting took the form of a general "bull session".

The [redacted] individuals present agreed that there was a need for a left caucus in labor and that the unions had no future as long as there was a wrong estimate of economic conditions. This wrong estimate was the basis for a left movement in the UAW and because of the militancy of the workers, the Party should seek out ways to unite the militant elements in the unions.

Ben Dobbs complained to Winter that not enough information was being put out to the Party in auto to keep them advised of the situation. Winter stated that he did not have time enough to get out such information.

Winter criticized Vaud Bennett for the way Indiana had mailed out some literature during the Spring of 1958. This literature had been an Indiana Labor Statement which took a position much further to the left than Winter had taken. Winter also criticized the paper "The Workers' Advance" issued by the Third Congressional District Communist Party at South Bend, Indiana, for not directing the paper towards labor movement in general rather than dealing only with current events.

It was mentioned that New York had only 4 full time Party organizers, and that California had only 2. Ohio has 1 full time organizer and Illinois has one or two. Michigan has no full time organizers.

Ben Dobbs mentioned that Los Angeles has only 12 CP members in auto. He stated that in Local 290, a General Motors local, some of the leadership are Party people. Detroit has only one or two Party members left in each shop where in the past, there were perhaps a dozen in each shop.

Ray Haskell in his comments concerning the building of the Party in auto stated that the Party must be built from below in the rank and file. He stated that future leadership of the Party must come from the rank and file and that far more progressive work could be done in the rank and file.

Haskell's remarks pointed up a difference between his perspective and that of Ed Locke and Nat Ganley, a Party leader from Detroit. Haskell stated that Locke and Ganley felt that the Party must attempt to get Party members in the leadership of the local unions before they could do any effective work in the unions.

Bennett asked the group for their opinion as to how the Party member should work in the local union. He said that he could get elected to some union office but wanted to know how he could get around the Taft Hartley Act. Bennett again said that the Party must make a big pitch to get as many delegates elected to the next UAW convention as possible.

The meeting then moved to the second point on the agenda - the organizational discussion. It was agreed that a meeting of the Party people from the Skilled Trades in the UAW be called for some time during January, 1959. This meeting will try to resolve the Skilled Trades question so that the entire next meeting of the National Auto Commission, which will be during late January, or early February, 1959, would not be spent arguing the Skilled Trades question. Carl Winter will take care of arrangements for both meetings. The points for discussion on the next National Auto Commission meeting will be (1) the coming elections in the UAW, and (2) the new Congress.

Winter discussed the work of the National Auto Commission to date. Winter stated that he could not do much coordinating in auto in that he was unable to travel. He stated that although Detroit was once the center of the auto industry, auto was now much stronger in other areas. He stated that the proposition that a coordinator in auto be appointed had been discussed in the National Committee and at a recent CP Conference in Chicago. He stated that the name of Ed Chakka of Cleveland (phonetic) had come up as a possible man for the position of auto coordinator but that no conclusion had been reached in the discussion. Winter stated that in his opinion, Chakka was not the man for the job in that Detroit had special problems in auto and Chakka because of his residence in Cleveland was unable to make a true estimate of the situation.

The group discussed the need for an auto coordinator and reached the conclusion that the Party's activities in auto did not need a coordinator.

No formal resolutions were passed at the meeting and there was no definite course of action planned in the auto field.

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11/25/58
SAC LETTER NO. 58-75

(G) COMMUNIST PARTY, USA - MEMBERSHIP -- Section 87C, 3c, (2), (a), of the Manual of Instructions requires each office to include in the cover letter (now cover page) accompanying a quarterly report on the Communist Party (CP), USA, certain data relative to the estimated total of CP members in the territory covered by the reporting office. In addition to such data, it is desired that the cover page (s) henceforth also include the total number of individuals who can be positively identified as CP members as well as the total number of individuals who can be tentatively identified as

such. Appropriate change in the Manual of Instructions will be issued in the near future.

All coordinators advised by routing slip to have their figures available on a continuing basis for each quarterly report.

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AIR MAIL - REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-68)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT
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[redacted] advises that seepage in CP membership is continuing. Informant's section, the Cultural Section, is practically defunct and no longer has a section council. In this section, teachers club recently dropped out en masse, the lawyers club is loosely organized, and the scientists and engineers club has lost most of its membership through drops.

Dr. BERNARD BRICKMAN, one of the most recent drops, stated he was leaving because the Party is dead, the present CP program holds no interest for him, and attendance at meetings is a waste of time. Other leaders in the section have observed they would have dropped as long as a year ago had they lived up to their convictions.

- 3 - Bureau (AIR MAIL) (REGISTERED)
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

DATE: December 2, 1958

FROM : *JAB* Director, FBI (100-3-68)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
MEMBERSHIP
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Circumstances require that the Communist Party (CP), USA, membership figures for the quarterly period ending December 31, 1958, ordinarily due at the Bureau no later than January 20, 1959, be tabulated and furnished to reach the Bureau as soon after December 31, 1958, as possible and at least no later than January 7, 1959. This data should be sent by airtel under caption of this letter.

The airtel should contain the data usually incorporated under the membership caption in the quarterly report as well as explanations for any significant fluctuation in membership where pertinent.

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- 2 - Anchorage
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- 2 - Baltimore
- 2 - Birmingham
- 2 - Boston
- 2 - Buffalo
- 2 - Butte
- 2 - Charlotte
- 2 - Chicago
- 2 - Cincinnati
- 2 - Cleveland
- 2 - Dallas
- 2 - Denver
- 2 - Detroit
- 2 - El Paso
- 2 - Honolulu
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- 2 - Jacksonville
- 2 - Kansas City
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- 2 - New Haven
- 2 - New Orleans
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- 2 - Pittsburgh
- 2 - Portland
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Letter to New York
RE: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
100-3-68

Auxiliary offices must furnish to the offices of origin the membership data as expeditiously as possible in order that the Bureau deadline of January 7, 1959, can be met.

This does not alter in any way the membership data to be contained in the quarterly CPUSA reports for the period ending December 31, 1958. The airtel should be a more succinct duplication of the membership data that will be incorporated in the quarterly reports. It is extremely important that the figures contained in the airtels agree completely with those in the quarterly reports.

This additional requirement is for this quarterly period only and will not be required for subsequent periods unless advised by the Bureau.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO
RE: CP, USA, MEMBERSHIP
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[redacted] on 12/9/53 advised that a re-registration of CP members in the East Bay Region is scheduled to take place in the very near future.

DOCUMENTATION: [redacted] re Registration; rec. 12/9/53;
SA PHILIP B. NOTTINGHAM; [redacted]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Los Angeles (100-23933)

DATE: December 17, 1958

✓ FROM : Director, FBI (100-3-68)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT
MEMBERSHIP
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Reurairtel 12-3-58 in which [redacted] is quoted as stating that seepage in Communist Party membership is continuing and that her section [redacted] is practically defunct and no longer has a section council. It is further indicated that several members in this section have dropped their membership and leaders of the section have observed that they would have dropped as long as a year ago had they lived up to their convictions. b7D

In view of the comments of [redacted] it appears probable that interviews of selected members of this practically defunct section might be productive in developing potential informants or sources. Advise what steps you have taken or may be contemplating to capitalize on this deterioration of the [redacted] Section.

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AIR MAIL - REGISTERED

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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ReBulet 12/2/58 requesting a membership recapitulation be submitted the Bureau immediately after 12/31/58. Unless advised to the contrary, the same figures for Tulare and Fresno Counties utilized in the last quarterly report will again be submitted to the Bureau. If these figures are not correct, advise by return airtel.

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AIR MAIL - REGISTERED

TO: SAC, SAN DIEGO
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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ReBulet 12/2/58 requesting membership recapitulation be submitted Bureau immediately after 12/31/58. San Diego is requested to furnish by return airtel the figures to be submitted for San Diego County.

2 - San Diego (AIR MAIL) (REGISTERED)
① - Los Angeles

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-68)

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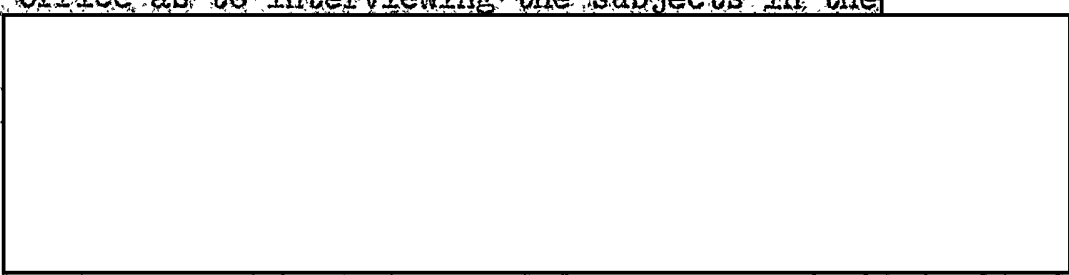
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COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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ReBulet to Los Angeles dated 12/17/58.

This matter has been considered in the Los Angeles Office as to interviewing the subjects in the

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-68)
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)
 SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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ReBulet to New York dated 12/2/58.

A recapitulation of membership in the Southern California District is as follows based on 1958 registration:

Los Angeles County	924
San Bernardino-Riverside Co.	33
Orange County	17
Santa Barbara-Ventura Co.	6
San Diego County	<u>29</u>
Total SCDCP membership	1009

The above figures do not include Tulare and Fresno Counties, which are within the jurisdiction of the Northern California District with headquarters at San Francisco.

Informants observe that many members have become inactive since the 1958 registration; and it is not believed there are 1,009 current dues-paying members. However, until a new registration is conducted there is no other yardstick to show the approximate number of current members and/or members who have been enrolled in the recent past whose sympathies still lie with the CP.

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DOROTHY HEALEY, Chairman, SCDCP, stated in letter October 1958 that there were approximately 500 dues-paying members in the district at that time.

A survey of live informants in the CP conducted in July 1958 showed approximately 688 active members at that time. A similar survey is currently being conducted and will be reported in cover pages of quarterly report due 1/20/59 as instructed in SAC Letter No. 58-75. Results of this survey not available to include in this communication.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, BALTIMORE [redacted] DATE: 12/22/58

FROM : SA ROBERT C. NORTON

SUBJECT: INFORMATION FURNISHED BY SECURITY INFORMANT

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The documentation for this information is as follows:

Identity of Source	Date of Activity and/or Description of Information	Date Furn.	Agent	Location
[redacted] (who has furnished reliable information in the past)	11/24/58 CP District Board meeting	11/25/58	ROBERT C. NORTON (Written)	[redacted]

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GEORGE MEYERS' father-in-law is PETER TOOKS.

The text of the informant's statement is as follows:

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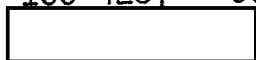
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[redacted] stopped and spoke to everyone briefly and drove on.

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The [redacted] went upstairs and the meeting got under way about 9:35 PM.

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[redacted] stating that he did not know.

[redacted] then said that they should draw up the agenda and suggested that the first thing should be a report by [redacted]

[redacted] then stated that he had not written his report out completely due to visitors coming to his home, and suggested that he give a short talk and then have them hold a discussion. After a few words of inquiry from [redacted] as to the extent of [redacted] preparation for the report, it was decided that they would do as [redacted] suggested.

It was then decided that the second point on the agenda would be a report by [redacted] on what had taken place at the [redacted]

The third point on the agenda was decided to be a discussion on The Worker.

The fourth point was to be a report by [redacted] group.

The fifth and final point on the agenda was decided to be a discussion on the strike at the Nu Dy-Per Company.

[redacted] then spoke briefly on the JACKSON report, stating that he agreed with it in all essentials.

[redacted] then commented that she hadn't read all of JACKSON's report, only that portion which appeared in the October Political Affairs. She said she could remember 29 years earlier a question of self-determination on the part of the Negro people had been under discussion. She said that at that time most of the Negroes in the United States were in the South, and that the question of a Negro nation being created in that part of the country was feasible. She said she felt the Party had made a great mistake in the years following by not discussing the principle of self-determination thoroughly and failing to analyze Negro history in the United States before 1900. She said as time

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went on, it was apparent to her that the Party's emphasis on self-determination for the Negroes was an error.

[redacted] said she had to agree with [redacted] that with the present dispersal of the Negroes throughout the United States, the creation of a Negro nation was not logical at the present time. She felt, however, that the term self-determination should be kept in use by the Party in case the Negro people might decide in favor of that principle at a later date.

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[redacted] said that he agreed with both [redacted] and [redacted] recalled that as late as 1957 in both Washington, D. C., and Baltimore the question of self-determination had been discussed. [redacted] said that the term self-determination had been used first by LENIN and then STALIN, who had pointed out the necessity of each separate race becoming a nation. He said he felt that in recent years the Party had not thoroughly analyzed the situation of the Negroes in the United States, although FOSTER and JAMES E. ALLEN had written articles in Political Affairs in recent years on the subject.

[redacted] then said that as far as the JAMES JACKSON report on the Negro question was concerned, he felt that whoever attended the Negro conference to be held in the early part of December, 1958, should express support of JACKSON's report.

[redacted] then said that when the question of JACKSON's report had been discussed at the NEC meeting in New York, differences had arisen as to support of the report, and that there had been a split in the voting.

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[redacted] then asked each of the other [redacted] separately as to how they felt about JACKSON's report, and each indicated that they favored the report.

[redacted] then spoke briefly on JACKSON's report and quoted briefly from various portions of it that he felt were important. He said that the Negro freedom movement should be considered apart from the American nation. He pointed out that the integration of the Negro people of all classes had become a part of the mainstream of the American historical development. He said that the struggle of the Negro people for the democratic goal of political, economic

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and social equality feeds into the very stream of the historic working class cause. [redacted] said that he felt the purging of white chauvinists and anti-Negro prejudice from the thought and attitude of the white masses was a vital aspect of the subjective preparation of the working class for undertaking the leadership responsibility in the struggle for a higher form of social order.

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[redacted] then reported that he had gone to New York City Tuesday afternoon, November 18, 1958, to attend the NEC meeting of November 19, 1958. He said, however, that he had met with some people on Tuesday and had discussed the election results.

[redacted] said that he had seen DOROTHY ROSE BLUMBERG, and that she had been critical of the manner in which the CP had gone about election work in New York. [redacted] said she indicated that the Party had held discussions with independent socialists to try to put across candidates for peace, but the program had been fouled up by the Trotskyites.

[redacted] said he asked DOROTHY ROSE BLUMBERG as to her husband's activities in the elections. At this point [redacted] asked what role BLUMBERG was playing and whether during the elections he had been against the slate backed by the Party and whether he had associated with right wing forces or the Trotskyites. [redacted] replied that BLUMBERG had been associated with the JOHN GATES forces.

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[redacted] then reported on the activities at the NEC meeting held November 19, 1958, when the CP national convention was discussed, it finally being decided that it should be held in September, 1959.

At this point [redacted] said he had just received a letter in which EUGENE DENNIS complimented [redacted] on being responsible

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[redacted] then stated that the youth conference which was to have been held November 30, 1958, had been postponed indefinitely, the Party feeling that the Negro question

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should be handled first.

[redacted] then said that he wanted to relate some things he had learned in New York as to how factional groups were working within the CP to destroy the Party.

[redacted] said that in New Jersey, MARTHA STONE, former Chairman, had left the Party and a new Chairman had been elected.

[redacted] said before STONE left, she almost wrecked the CP in that area, and he understood from BOB THOMPSON that the Negro CP members had completely left the Party in that area.

[redacted] said that AL BLUMBERG had left the CP in New York and was trying to persuade others to leave.

[redacted] then spoke of the situation in Philadelphia. He said JOE ROBERTS had left the CP. [redacted] then commented that before the factional group had arisen in Philadelphia, there had been 2,500 CP members. [redacted] said before ROBERTS left, he went around and pretty well destroyed the Party in that area. [redacted] said that TOM NABRIED was presently the Chairman in that area, and the Party membership was around 95.

[redacted] said that STEVE NELSON, who had been in charge of the CP in Eastern Pennsylvania, had left Pennsylvania and was living in New York.

[redacted] said the CP was having a difficult time in Chicago, Michigan, Ohio and California. He commented that out in California the Party had been pretty well wrecked by the former Chairman.

[redacted] said that in New York a committee had been set up to start drawing up a statement on the factional situation within the CP, and he understood that MICKEY LIMA from the West Coast, CARL WINTER from Detroit, and someone else were on the committee.

[redacted] then said that he thought BOB THOMPSON was on that committee. [redacted] replied that he was not sure, but in any event after the National Committee meeting in December, a statement condemning the factional situation would be issued.

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[redacted] said the national Negro conference to be held December 5, 1958, had been cancelled, it having been decided that the leading Negro comrades who were to attend that conference should meet December 6, 1958, in conjunction with the National Committee meeting. [redacted] said that this would lead to a stronger discussion on JACKSON's report.

[redacted] said he did not know whether JOHNSON would attend the conference, but that he had already told the CP leaders in New York that he and JACOB GREEN would attend.

GREEN then told [redacted] that he would see him later concerning arrangements to be made for the trip.

[redacted] then said that since he had only been in New York one day of the NEC meeting, November 19, 1958, his expense would be \$15.00. He asked [redacted] to give it to him later, at which time he would explain what he planned to do with the money.

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[redacted] however, immediately got up, went to the closet and brought out some envelopes, from one of which she took \$15.00 and gave it to [redacted]

[redacted] then asked whether there were any comments to be made on his report. All stated that they accented the report, and that they were in agreement with [redacted] on [redacted]

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[redacted] then said that the District would have to start preparations for pre-convention discussion so that the District Board would know what the members desired and would have plans ready to take to the convention. [redacted] then said that "we" are in a better position to have a perspective on the youth situation locally. He said a Trade Union Commission had been set up, and that it was possible to hold discussions around many issues in which the Party could become active.

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[redacted] then stated that in the Northwest Baltimore CP Section things were much better, and that valuable discussions on the American road to Socialism and the Jewish problem had been held which discussions could prove of value as pre-convention discussion material.

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At about 10:45 PM, [redacted] to make some coffee. After she left the room, [redacted] suggested that they all go downstairs since there were only a few more points on the agenda. The [redacted] then went downstairs, and the [redacted] continued the meeting in the kitchen.

[redacted] then said that there was not too much he could report with regard to The Worker. He said it was on the agenda because the decision had been made at the last District Board meeting as to setting up a committee consisting of a representative from each CP club.

[redacted] said that the steel group had selected ROGERS.

[redacted] said that the Northwest Section would elect its representative at the next meeting.

[redacted] said he had not attended the last meeting of the Negro CP Club and would see MARCUS McBRIDE, the club Chairman, in the near future.

[redacted] said that since [redacted] had volunteered for the job of advisor to the committee, he thought that after all the club representatives had been elected, they should get together, contact [redacted] hold a meeting and decide how to broaden distribution of the paper and develop a fund drive.

[redacted] then said that as they knew, each District Board member was to contribute to The Worker sustaining fund. He said that he felt each District Board member should contribute his portion of the sustaining fund to the club to which he belonged.

[redacted] then said that the \$15.00 he had just received from [redacted] for expenses would be turned over at the next Trade Union Commission meeting, plus \$5.00 which he was going to contribute to the sustaining fund.

The others then agreed to turn over their \$5.00 sustaining fund contributions to their club.

[redacted] then asked [redacted] to give a short talk on the status of the former steel group, which consisted of persons who had been discharged from the Bethlehem Steel Company after

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they had taken the Fifth Amendment at the House Committee on Un-American Activities hearings in 1957.

[redacted] said that he had visited BILL WOOD and had a long talk with him concerning the status of the persons in this group. [redacted] said WOOD told him that at the last meeting of the group, IRVING KANDEL, who had been in attendance, told them that he was leaving the CP because the Party was not achieving anything. KANDEL was supposed to have said that as he saw it, the Party was getting weaker and weaker. KANDEL indicated that he did not feel like wasting any more time on the CP.

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[redacted] then became angry, stating that she felt this aspect of the factional situation locally should be dealt with immediately. She said that she had hoped that the former steel group would pay up their dues and rejoin CP activities. She did not feel too hopeful about this following KANDEL's statement since it was known that he had great influence over them.

[redacted] said that he didn't agree completely with [redacted] and thought that something might be done with BILL WOOD and MILTON SEIF. He added that he was sure that nothing could be done with regard to AARON OSTROFSKY, BEN FINO or ABE KOTELCHUCK.

[redacted] then asked [redacted] whether the persons last mentioned by [redacted] had made any comment at the meeting. [redacted] replied that from what he understood from BILL WOOD, they made no comment whatsoever.

[redacted] then asked [redacted] how long a person could remain a CP member after his dues had lapsed. [redacted] said three months.

[redacted] then said that he couldn't understand the situation since he knew that the former steel group had not paid dues for almost two years. [redacted] said he felt a decision should be made with regard to them immediately.

[redacted] said he saw [redacted] point, but felt these persons should be given a chance. He requested the District Board to allow BILL WOOD to meet with the Board.

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[redacted] then said that he could not agree unless some decision was made that night.

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It was then decided that [redacted] would contact WOOD, have him come to the next District Board meeting, and after the meeting the Board would make a definite decision as to the former steel group.

[redacted] then said she was anxious to get rid of AARON OSTROFSKY and ABE KOTELCHUCK, and that it was about time things came to a head. She added, however, that they should take it easy on MILT SEIF and BILL WOOD.

[redacted] then pointed out that they would have to be careful in their pre-convention discussions since the right and left wing supporters still within the Party might work undercover, stick with the CP and elect their own people at the convention.

It was then decided that the next [redacted] should be held [redacted]. It was decided that in addition to inviting WOOD, they should also invite BILL JOHNSON from Washington, D. C., and CHARLES JOHNSON and TONY ADONA, Negro CP Club members, the latter two for the purpose of discussing youth matters.

[redacted] then asked about TONY SPINNATO, CP Steel Club Chairman. He pointed out that SPINNATO and the Civil Rights Committee of Local 2609, United Steelworkers of America - CIO, had just attended an AFL-CIO labor conference in Washington, D. C.

[redacted] interrupted, saying that SPINNATO should be left out since too many things would be brought up at one meeting.

[redacted] then asked whether anyone had done any work to support the strike at Nu Dy-Per. [redacted] replied in the negative. [redacted] said he had talked to MARCUS McBRIDE, and he understood that McBRIDE had already made some efforts.

[redacted] said that he felt this was an opportunity for the Party to play a great role. He said it tied in with JACKSON's report on the Negro question since a majority

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of the Nu Dy-Per employees were Negroes.

[redacted] then said that he saw HARRY and had spoken to him. He then asked the group if money were collected for support of the strike, should it be turned over to HARRY.

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[redacted] then said that he, meaning HARRY, was no good, and that if they gave any money to HARRY, she felt the strikers would not get it.

It was then decided to give any money collected to the strike committee at Nu Dy-Per.

[redacted] then again raised the question of inviting SPINNATO to a [redacted] to give a report on the AFL-CIO meeting in Washington.

After a period of silence, [redacted] spoke to [redacted] asking if SPINNATO had given this report at a recent Steel Club meeting. [redacted] replied in the negative, saying that the report had come in since the last meeting. He said, however, that he could obtain a report at the next Steel Club meeting and bring it to the [redacted] meeting himself.

[redacted] then kept after the other [redacted] concerning an invitation to be extended to SPINNATO. After another period of silence, [redacted] said that he felt he had to agree with [redacted] and that SPINNATO's report would prove of value for pre-convention discussion.

All finally agreed on inviting SPINNATO on the basis of [redacted] last statement.

[redacted] was instructed to see SPINNATO at the next Steel Club meeting and extend the invitation.

[redacted] then criticized [redacted] saying he was not satisfied with the work of the Steel Club. He told [redacted] that he was only a referee. He pointed out that there were only two Steel Club members and the club was not being enlarged. He pointed out that no CP literature had been gotten out by the club. He told [redacted] that the latter had been given assignments that he had not carried out.

[redacted] was very apologetic and said he would try to do better in the future.

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At about 11:50 PM, the meeting ended, at which time [redacted] went to the car and got six copies each of The Worker for the dates November 16, 1958, and November 23, 1958. He handed [redacted] three copies apiece for each date.

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[redacted] left at 12:05 AM."

This memo has been compared with informant's original statement and it is accurate in substance.

On 11/25/58, [redacted] furnished SA ROBERT C. NORTON two copies of "The Party Forum," which indicated on the front page of the four pages that it was "Published by the Communist Party of Illinois." One of the copies was dated August, 1958, and the other was dated November, 1958. [redacted] said that the two papers had been received by him from [redacted] on 11/24/58. The two papers are being retained in [redacted]

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-68)
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)
 RE: CP, USA, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT,
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[redacted] advises that the Zapata Section, Southern California District, CP, has approved a resolution setting up a special committee whose job will be to contact members delinquent in their dues to determine whether they still consider themselves members of the Party. Some of these members are from three to six months behind in their dues, and it is the desire of the section to reactivate those persons. The Zapata Section is also considering a plan to make it mandatory for section leaders to attend at least one club meeting per month to break down the isolation between the membership and the leadership.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO
RE: CP, USA, MEMBERSHIP
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[redacted] on 1/9/59 advised that the CP Inner Mission Club No. 2 of the San Francisco County CP will start a series of meetings on 1/19/59 aimed at recruiting CP members, particularly former CP members who have dropped from the CP during recent years. The series of lectures will be open only to individuals invited by the Inner Mission Club CP.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Los Angeles (100-23933)

DATE: January 13, 1959

FROM : Director, FBI (100-3-68)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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Reurairtel 1-8-59.

It is noted that the Zapata Section of the Southern California District is planning to set up a special committee to contact members relative to their current status in the Party. The activities of this committee should be followed closely through your live informant coverage and other investigative techniques. Should you be successful in obtaining pertinent information concerning the results of this committee, it will undoubtedly provide your office with current, accurate information regarding Party membership figures.

The Bureau should be kept fully advised of pertinent developments in this matter.

Discussed at Sac by [illegible]
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-9365)
SUBJECT : WILLIAM Z. FOSTER
IS-C; SA-40; ISA - 50.

Date: 1/15/59

Informant: NY 1697-S*

Reliability : Who has furnished reliable information in the past.

Date furnished: 12/11/58

Care should be taken to conceal and paraphrase the information furnished due to the sensitive nature of the informant.

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 - (1 - [redacted] (100-34758)
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 - (1 - [redacted] (100-23556)
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- 3 - San Francisco (RM)
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The informant advised that MAX STEINBERG had a conference with FOSTER on this date. STEINBERG said that he occasionally writes for the "Morning Freiheit". FOSTER asked about NOVICK and was told that he is the best of the old crowd around the "Freiheit" and that he doesn't wait to get out an article defending KHRUSHCHEV. STEINBERG said that he is getting old and is forced into activity. He said that at the council meeting NOVICK made a motion to remove ZARITSKY (ph) and got 41 votes on the motion. NOVICK stated that he could not stand a heretic like ZARITSKY (ph).

STEINBERG said that at that meeting it was the first time since the convention that they succeeded in getting a majority to approve the general line of the N.C. FOSTER asked why all of them didn't quit when the 26 did, and STEINBERG replied that those who didn't quit are on the way out if things become bad for them. He also told FOSTER that FRANK SPECTOR (ph) is still in and so is his wife, stating that she was once a county hall secretary just as he had been. STEINBERG said that PETTIS PERRY isn't a fighter but that he is a full time member of the National Committee and is regional field organizer of Negro workers and National Mexican-American workers.

STEINBERG said that the CP didn't say a thing in the last month of the campaign. He said that he and MANICH (ph), who is a charter member and had a convention in his district, and HY LUMER took over the leadership and reorganized the club so that it was easy to work there now.

STEINBERG stated that they haven't had a report on trade union work in a long time. He said that before the elections the Party didn't do anything and that MANNY FOX (ph) came in with a puny report about a month before the elections.

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FOSTER asked STEINBERG about BILL SCHNEIDERMAN and he replied that he is up North and is not taking a good line on things. FOSTER called SCHNEIDERMAN an opportunist and said that he is responsible for the revolt of the 26.

STEINBERG said that DOROTHY HEALEY has to get out. FOSTER agreed and said that the situation would improve when they get her out. STEINBERG said he is on the general council which meets once a month but that he is not on the board which makes the decisions. He said that DOROTHY runs the whole thing. He further said that DOROTHY was almost apologetic to him when the 26 walked out and it is his opinion that she worked with them and did not defend the Party.

STEINBERG said that Party membership in Southern California is now a couple of hundred out of a former 10,000. He advised that the ousted 26 formed their own group and elected a chairman and began contacting Party members telling them that the CP is too weak to do anything. STEINBERG advised that they even contacted his daughter and she told them she was proud to be a CP member.

FOSTER said that when they elected the National Committee, ARCHIE BROWN was defeated by 7 votes because nobody knew him and complained that "California picked the lousiest delegation of any district in the Party." STEINBERG said that ARCHIE BROWN is a good man and is working among the dock workers. He said that there is one Communist on the dock workers delegation, JIM FOREST (ph), who used to be a district organizer.

STEINBERG complained about the Jewish Section in Los Angeles. He complained about an individual who has a Ph.D. and is the editor of the Jewish Commission (ph) and is on the board of the city in the district. He said that this individual made a statement against the Soviet Union on the Jewish question saying that he is as much on the right as anyone can be and that he is leading the workers away.

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FOSTER said that JENNIE FONTELUSO (ph) is an excellent worker and is solid.

STEINBERG said that PETTIS PERRY and BILL TAYLOR are active among Negroes but that WHEELDIN had resigned with the group.

STEINBERG stated that CELESTE STRACK organized a mass meeting with a prominent Unitarian minister and that she is active. He said that CELESTE was in New York to attend a National Conference of those who left the Party and that DOROTHY HEALEY knew she was leaving. He said that the split is a fight against Stalinism and not against socialism.

STEINBERG told FOSTER that if he can interest the Comrades to go out to Southern California and give them a hand he can rally the CP forces.

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LA 100-1763

MEMBERSHIP
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The following was prepared by SA W. NATHAN PROVINSE.

T-2 advised on October 5, 1958, that no official statements have been forthcoming from the SCDCP, relative to the number of members in the District, since June, 1958.

T-2 advised that in June, 1958, the official registration for the year 1958 was 924 members in Los Angeles County. T-2 observed that many members have either dropped or become inactive since the 1958 registration, which began in the late fall of 1957, and that a new registration would possibly show a decrease in current dues paying members.

T-3 advised on November 7, 1958, that DOROTHY HEALEY, during the latter part of October, 1958, had stated there were approximately 500 dues paying members in the District at that time. In this connection, a survey of informants who are members of the CP was conducted during Jan., 1959, to identify active and current CP members. A composite of the figures furnished by these informants disclosed a total of approximately 603 active members in the SCDCP as of January, 1959.

The following recapitulation of the membership of the SCDCP is based on the 1958 registration. As noted by T-2, many members have become inactive since the beginning of that registration, and it is not believed by informant that there are that many current, active, dues paying members in the District at the present time; however, until a new registration is conducted, there is no other yardstick available to present a picture of the approximate number of individuals who are current members, or who have recently been enrolled in the Party, and whose sympathies are still on the side of the CP. This recapitulation is as follows:

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<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>NUMBER OF MEMBERS</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
Los Angeles	924	T-2 (10/5/58)
San Bernardino-- Riverside	33	T-4 and T-5 (4/1/58)
Orange County	17	T-6 and T-7 (3/25/58)
Santa Barbara--Ventura	6	T-8 (3/25/58)
San Diego	<u>29</u>	T-9 and T-10 (12/16/58)
Total SCDCP	1,009	

The following is a recapitulation of the membership in the area covered by the Los Angeles Division, excluding San Diego County, but including Fresno and Tulare Counties, which fall within the jurisdiction of the Northern California District:

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Santa Barbara--Ventura	6	T-8 (3/25/58)
Tulare	15	T-11 (1/23/58)
Fresno	<u>5</u>	T-11 (1/23/58)
Total Los Angeles Division	1,000	

1/23/59

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-68)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)

RE: CP, USA, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT,
MEMBERSHIP;
IS - C, CINAL.

[redacted] advised that DOROTHY HEALEY, Chairman, SDCCP, stated last week at a meeting of the San Bernardino-Riverside County Committee that the present thinking of the leadership is that the District Council is too large and untidy and very difficult to handle. The District Council is composed of approximately fifty members.

HEALEY further stated that in 1949 there were 4,990 members which had dropped to 1,800 members two years ago. HEALEY stated that since that time another thousand members have dropped out leaving approximately 800 to 900 CP members in Southern California at the present time.

- 3 - Bureau (AM REGISTERED)
- 1 - San Francisco (Info) (REGISTERED)
- 1 - Los Angeles (100-23933)
- 1 - Los Angeles 100-43372 (CINAL)

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Source [redacted] to SA [redacted] on 1/23/59.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL - REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-68)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-23933)
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT
MEMBERSHIP
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Re Los Angeles airtel 1/6/59 captioned as above and
Bulet 1/13/59 requesting the Bureau be kept advised of ac-
tivities in the Zapata Section concerning the status of Party
members in that section. [redacted] advises that to date no
established committee has evolved as reported in Los Angeles
airtel. Informant states that periodic meetings of club
chairmen are to be held to discuss membership problems. Each
club chairman is to take it upon himself to see that contact
is kept with each club member not only to ascertain his current
attitudes but to also build up his interest.

- 3 - Bureau (AIR MAIL) (REGISTERED)
- 1 - San Francisco (INFO) (REGISTERED)
- 2 - Los Angeles (100-23933) (100-43372 - CINAL)

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SOURCE: [redacted] to SA JOHN ANDREWS 1/8/59.

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1/29/59

AIR-TEL

AIRMAIL-REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO
RE: CP, USA, MEMBERSHIP
IN - C;
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[redacted] on 1/25/59 advised that the CP sponsored a "People's World" (PW) conference in San Francisco on 1/18/59, at which BILLIE WAUCHER, a member of the East Bay Regional Committee and the CP Northern California District Committee, presented a report on Party building and registration.

WAUCHER declared that CP Clubs have become too lax in their activities and dues. She stated that the clubs have gone from one extreme to the other and that whereas previously the complaint was that there was not enough freedom within the Party, since the last National Convention the other extreme is proving to be just as disastrous. WAUCHER declared that members are not showing up for meetings, that they are not taking part in club activities, and that they are not paying dues promptly. She proposed a three-month period of tightening up membership, designed to show members their financial responsibility and the necessity of paying dues and sustainers. She encouraged recruiting of new members and bringing back inactive and ex-members. She declared that meetings must be made more interesting and the Executive Committees should assume more responsibility in the matter of working out the details and technicalities of Executive Meetings.

HENRY LUNA, Chairman of the CP Northern California District, in his report declared that the Party is emerging from a serious split and is again becoming unified. He declared that now is the time to try to bring back members who have dropped away and to recruit new members.

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[redacted] re 1/18/59; rec. 1/26/59; [redacted]

- 1 - BUREAU (ALL-REG)
 - 1 - LOS ANGELES; 1 - SAN DIEGO (ALL-REG)
 - 1 - SF 103-25038; 1 - SF 103-21151
 - 1 - SF 103-25035; 1 - [redacted]
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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-4486)

DATE: 2/10/59

FROM : SA CLAUDE E. WILLIS, Jr.

SUBJECT: DOROTHY HEALEY
SM-C

INFORMANT	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[Redacted] who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be protected.	Statement by DOROTHY HEALEY concerning CP assignment of [Redacted]	1/30/59	Writer	[Redacted]

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Informant's report is quoted verbatim as follows:

"Jan. 28th, 1959

"On or about Jan. 15th, 1959, this writer had a phone talk with DOROTHY HEALEY. She made the following statements. 'It might be a few weeks before this writer would hear what C. P. Club she will be assigned to.' She has no one to help her with office work, so it takes longer to process the application."

ACTION: Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above report and could furnish no additional information.

All other necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

cc: [Redacted]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES

DATE: 2/9/59

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80638)

SUBJECT: CP, USA - SCD - MEMBERSHIP
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On 1/20/59, NY 2409-S* furnished photographs of information in the possession of SYLVIA HALL located in her apartment at 526 West 113th Street, NYC. Among the information furnished was a photograph of a note which is apparently a CP transfer for a couple from Houston to Los Angeles. The note is captioned "transfer", and reads as follows:

"W.R. & wife - to be trans from Hou to LA.
Have phone, and can be located in that manner.
Left Hou summer 58. Age: he she
He is a machinist by trade. She aspires to
be actress.

"Members since -- the time they left Hou both were members in good standing. Both participated in P work, and he was a member of Comm. Both supported political line of N.C. Both were active in precinct work in D.P."

It is believed that the above couple possibly referred to WARREN RAMON GREER and his wife ADA BELLE GREER.

The original negatives of the above information is being made Exhibit 1B-10 (3) of [redacted] file, NY 100-100351.

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- 2 Los Angeles (100-) (CP, USA MEMBERSHIP) (Att. 1) (RM)
- 1 - Houston (100-) (CP, USA, SOUTHERN REGION) (Info) (RM)
- 1 - New York (100-133666 Sub E) (CP, USA, SOUTHERN REGION) (#415)
- 1 - New York (100-100351)
- 1 - New York (100-80638)

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W. RUSSELL GOEY
AND
Date 2/11/59

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work in D.P.

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2/25/59

A IR-TEL

AIRMAIL-REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO
SUBJECT: CP, USA, MEMBERSHIP
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CIVAL.

[redacted] on 2/18/59 advised that HANK SEIGEL, a member of the San Francisco County Committee of the CP, stated on 2/11/59 that San Francisco County CP is now having a dues control and that there will be a registration of CP membership in March 1959.

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[redacted] re 2/11/59; rec. 2/18/59; LEO A. SCHON; [redacted]

- 3 - BUREAU (AIR-REG)
- 1 - LOS ANGELES; 1 - SAN DIEGO (AIR-REG)
- 1 - SF 100-26239
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-3-69)
FROM : SAC, Indianapolis (100-11093)
SUBJECT : COMMUNIST PARTY, USA,
ORGANIZATION
IS - C

DATE: 3/4/59

Re IP letter to Bureau dated 11/12/58.

On 1/12/59 [redacted] and SA HAYES S. KING had occasion to review the report that informant had furnished concerning a meeting of the National Auto Commission of the Communist Party held in Detroit, Michigan, on 10/18, 19/58 in connection with a report that informant was making concerning another meeting of the NAC held in Chicago, Illinois, 1/10, 11/59.

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- 2 - Bureau (RM)
- 3 - Los Angeles (RM)
 - 1 - Ben Dobbs
 - 1 - CP Membership
 - 1 - Cominfil UAW
- 3 - Cleveland (RM)
 - 1 - [redacted]
 - 1 - [redacted]
 - 1 - Cominfil UAW
- 2 - Buffalo (RM)
 - 1 - [redacted]
 - 1 - Cominfil UAW
- 9 - Detroit (RM)
 - 1 - Carl Winter
 - 1 - [redacted]
 - 1 - [redacted]
 - 1 - [redacted]
 - 1 - [redacted]
 - 1 - John (Inu), white, male, 55, 5-11, 170 reddish graying hair dark tinted glasses
 - 1 - Charles (Chuck) (LNU), has previously attended NAC meetings
 - 1 - [redacted]
 - 1 - Cominfil UAW

- 1 - New York (RM)
 - 1 - CP Organization
- 2 - Chicago (RM)
 - 1 - Flo Hall
 - 1 - Cominfil UAW

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- 7 - Indianapolis (1 - 100-11093) [redacted] (1-65-1238, [redacted]) (100-11400 - Workers Advance) (1-100-34734 - CP membership) (1-100-8745 - CP Strategy in Industry) (1-100-3924 - Cominfil UAW)

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Informant stated that he desired to correct a portion of his report concerning the 10/18, 19/58 NAC meeting (Page 6, Paragraph 1, last sentence which reads: "Winter stated that in his opinion, Chakka was not the man..."). Informant stated that this particular sentence should be changed to read as follows:

"Winter made a critical estimate of his (Winter's) past work in the Auto Commission and stated that because of the influence and situation in Detroit, he Winter, was not the man for the job, pointing out that Detroit had much unemployment and a true picture of the overall situation in auto could not be found in Detroit."

Offices receiving copies of this letter are requested to make the above correction to Page 6 of relet.

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3/11/59

AIR TEL

AIRMAIL-REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO
RE: CP, USA, MEMBERSHIP
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[redacted] on 3/10/59 advised that at a meeting of the CP Northern California District Committee in San Francisco on 2/25/59, BILLIE WACHTER presented the Organizational Report, which declared in part as follows:

The CP will conduct a campaign on dues control and registration. Clubs will be urged to work out plans to realize new possibilities for the growth and strength of their clubs. There will be a fight for the ideological discussion relation to the clubs. Clubs are to plan for elections in the near future, as provided in the Constitution, with a minimum of three officers, with each officer having clearly defined duties and responsibilities. All clubs will hold discussions during early March 1959 and the dues control and registration campaign will continue throughout March and April.

WACHTER proposed that ex members returning to a CP club be handled as new members, that they be sponsored by two CP members, and that they submit a statement as to why they left the CP, and that this statement be passed upon by the District Organizational Commission.

An amendment proposed by DON THAYER that people returning to the CP Clubs be given some responsibilities after six months on the basis of their past accomplishments and then be given the freedom of becoming officers was accepted.

In regard to dues, WACHTER proposed that anyone six months in arrears of dues to be considered as having dropped out of the club. The District Committee decided that the clubs should inform every member who is more than six months in arrears in his dues that he must arrange to pay up past dues.

- 3 - BUREAU (AM-REG)
- 1 - FBI ANGELES; 1 - SAN DIEGO (AM-REG)
- 1 - SF 100-25239; 1 - SF 100-41253 (CIUAL)
- 1 - SF 100-25035 (CP FUNDS); 1 [redacted]

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AIR-TEL

AIRMAIL-REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO
RE: CP, USA, MEMBERSHIP
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CSSF 2148-S* on 3/11/59 advised that MICKEY LIMA, Chairman of the CP Northern California District, received a memorandum on the registration campaign, which declared that registration of CP members would take place between March 1 and April 30, 1959, with registration forms to be turned in to the County Secretary by 3/31/59.

The memorandum also declared that all drops are to be handled as readmittances into the Party and they are to be recruited and sponsored by two members, as provided in the constitution. One of the sponsors must write a statement as to why the readmittance is being proposed and the person applying for readmittance must write a statement giving reasons for applying. The clubs shall act first on the readmittance, after which all papers are turned over to the County Secretary and final decision will be made by the District Organizational Committee.

All new members and all transfers must be approved in the first instance by the District Organizational Committee and such members are assigned to a club by that body.

3 - BUREAU (AIR-REG)
1 - NEW YORK; 1 - LOS ANGELES; 1 - SAN DIEGO (AIR-REG)
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC LOS ANGELES

DATE: January 23, 1968

FROM : SA WM. J. NOLAN

SUBJECT: CP, USA
MEMBERSHIP

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